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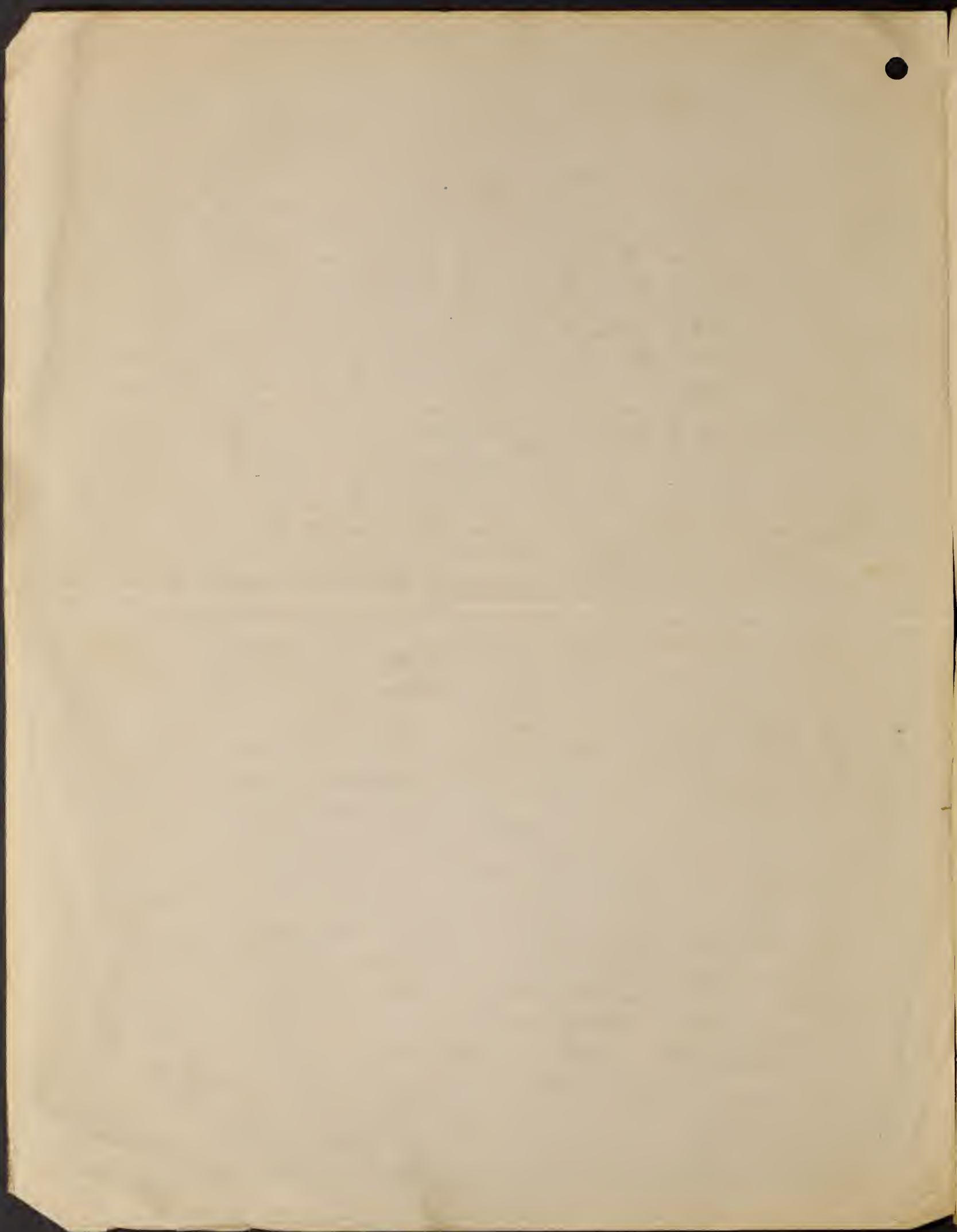
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Reminiscences

by Rev. Colman Bristol.

(?) This is the 32^d. day of February, 1923. I was born on the 11th. of August, 1833. I am now within about six months of my 90th. birthday anniversary. My earliest memories of wh. I am entirely sure, go back to the beginning of Queen Victoria's long & glorious reign, 1837. I see very clearly in my mind's eye my dear father entering the family room on his return from a week's journey, with a deer skin purse containing one hundred bright silver dollars wh. he hung on a prominent nail at the side of the barn. He had earned it by conveying in a neat sleigh made by himself, with a young team raised on his own farm, a Colonel of a British regiment and his wife, from Toronto to Kingston. There was trouble at the time, starting in Eastern Canada. I was then about four years of age. It was a memorable year. I have long cherished a just pride and grateful knowledge of the fact that my forbears are of Puritan origin. My grandfather, John Bristol, with his wife and one boy, my father, John Wesley Bristol, & quite a large number of relatives & neighbors from the vicinity of Utica, N. Y., migrated in the year 1783 through the woods via Black River to Kingston, Ontario, making what was regarded as a somewhat celebrated five week's journey. They made & conveyed their own boats & conquered all the difficulties in leaving their old homes to go to new ones in the thickly timbered woods of the new British provinces. Their families are worth remembering. They loved their bibles & cherished real godliness in their homes; they loved the British government, & most of them had fought to retain it, thinking by patience they could gain the liberties they craved. My grandfather had married into an Aylesworth & Parry connection who had moved from Rhode Island. Grandfather had done service in the Continental army, yet family ties took him along to the new land. Great grandfather's home was a little west of Troy, N. Y. As far as we have traced the family back, they came from near the centre of the east side of England, first to the vicinity of Plymouth, or Boston, then west, some in new settlements in Connecticut, or Massachusetts.

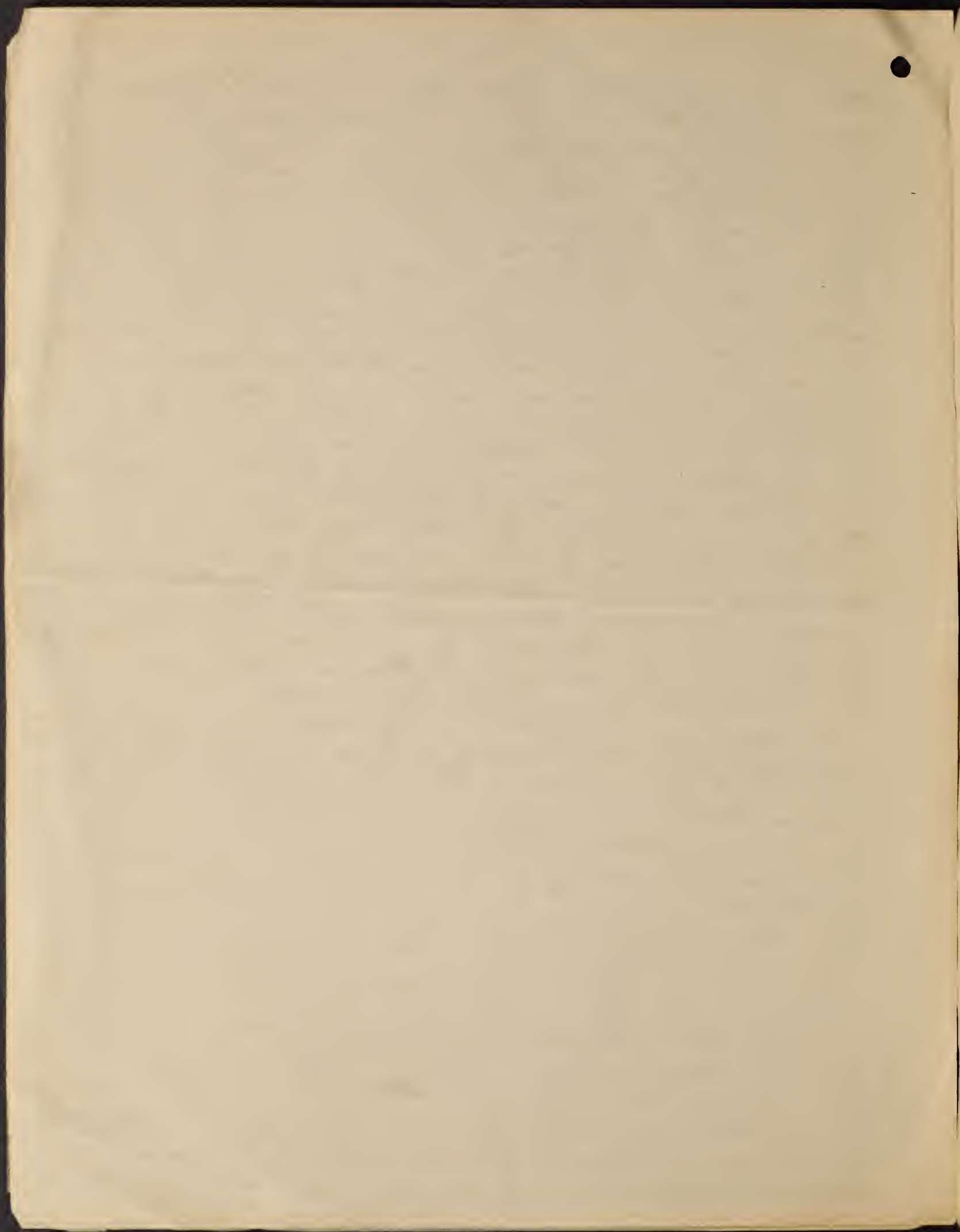
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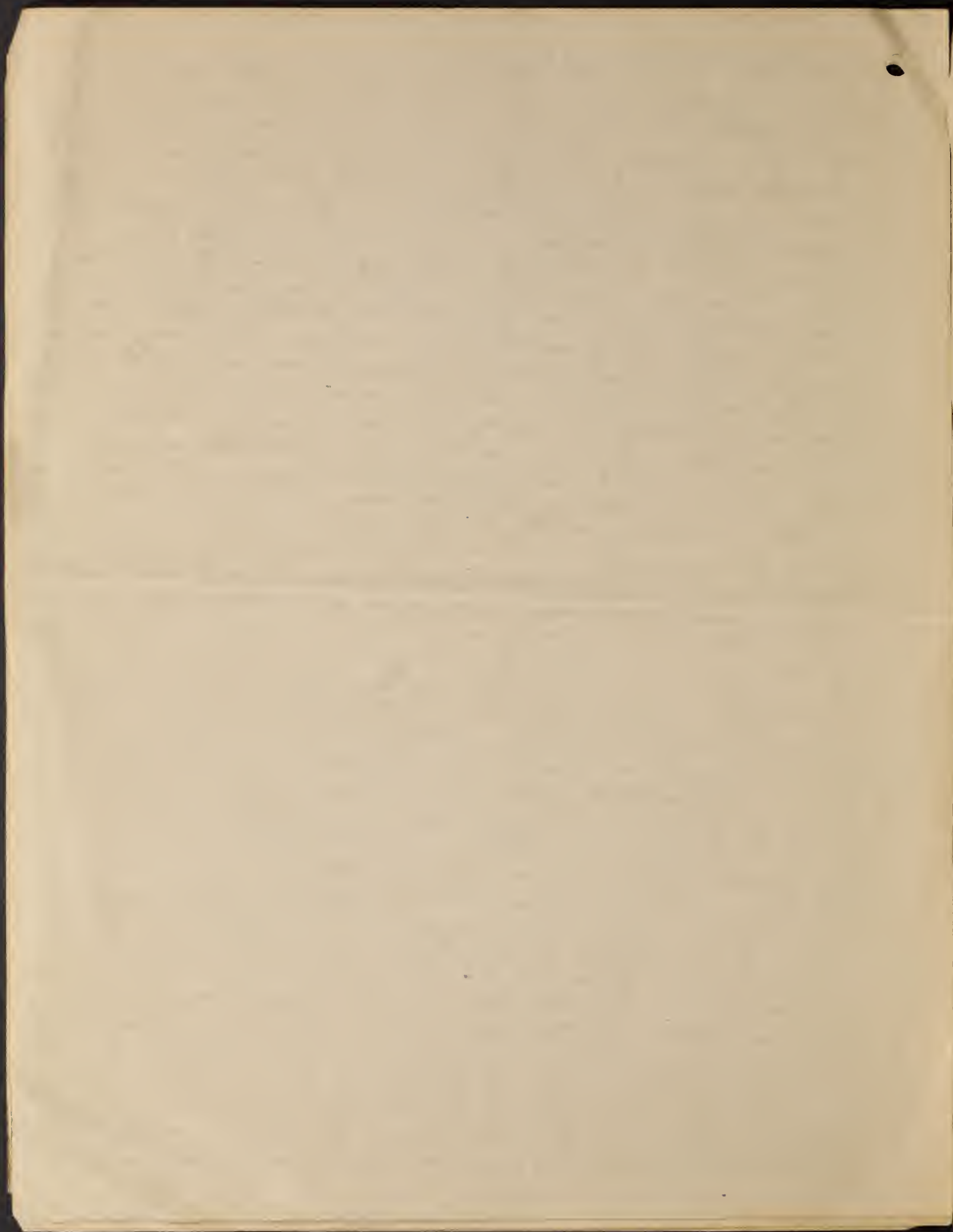
then into New York. Grandfather believed his progenitors came with the first arrivals in 1620, but possibly they came about 1636, & settled near the Hudson. These nearer settlements were made at that time. Old families of officers settling in Canada were high spirited Conservatives, or Tories. My parents, with party spirit equally strong, were, with the great majority of Perry's, Aylerworths & Switzers, reformers and liberals.

We loved to keep up our memories of New York & New England, reading American papers rather than English; indeed these latter were seldom ever seen. The earliest missionary visitors were from New York state, & preached in the settlers' homes. Grandfather's home was the preaching-place for the neighborhood for twenty miles around, for many years. Grandfather held office as a class leader. One of the very first pastors who came to my father's home, three miles north of Grandfather's, wh. was on the Bay of Quinte, about sixteen or eighteen miles west of Kingston, was named Colman. The preacher was so kind to Mother and Father, they named me, their third boy, for him, & I got "Coly" instead for short for many years. In the new country the first school houses were made of logs, like most of the homes & barns. We sat on rude benches made of oak slabs, with poles for legs, for the youngest classes, & plain pine desks in front of long board seats for those able to learn to write.

We rapidly got higher country schools, & young Canadians rapidly became teachers, of a class greatly superior to those at first available. Father's youth passed without schools. Mother had learned to read, & father learned from her, or was much aided from her reading. He was always anxious to aid each of his twelve children to be as thoroughly educated as possible, knowing its value from the lack of it. Yet he was quite an extensive reader, & in advanced life was made a Justice of the Peace or Magistrate, & was usually called to sit near the Circuit Judges as Counselor. My first year at common school was on the front seat with the little folk, then behind the large desk with my best early friend, George Asselstine, who married my sister, Ruth, two years younger than I. Her sudden death, following closely that of my brother John, who was six years older than I, gave me a profound sense of the life beyond, & a more perfect realization of the supreme importance of a right relation



relation to God. The common schools in my early years were largely confined to the three r's, "readin', ritin', and 'rithmetic." When about twelve years old I got started to better schools, first at Gardiner's, about four miles north-east of home; then at Bath, five miles south-east of our village postoffice; then to a much better school twelve miles away at Newburgh, where I obtained board and lodging with my cousin, Almon Bristol, in return for a few hours help in his cash store, morning and evening, before and after school. At these better schools I had a beginning in plain geometry & astronomy, grammar & geography, a small start in Latin, & was able, by the advice of the excellent teacher at Newburgh, to get license to teach any common school, in my native country. Father having learned this, I having reached my eighteenth year, advised me to go and teach, as I could learn more and earn more than I could at home helping him, as I had always done in the summers, on the farm, taking my full share in the heavy farm work. I was fortunate in getting a good school in a choice neighborhood in Prince Edward county, where I heard Wesleyan Methodist preachers, & could visit at week ends at the home of mother's best loved brother, John Fritz, where I received a hearty welcome by dear Aunt Jane & all the cousins. I had begun the reading of history, English, & Ancient, and by the reading of the four books of Rollin's Ancient History, & a quite full knowledge of the Bible, & a steady reading of the best Canadian weeklies of Kingston & Toronto, with an occasional New York issue, I was obtaining a considerable increase of general knowledge, & all my spare time was spent in poring over papers & books. My extensive reading would have been more firmly fixed in my memory had I written out principal points. My love of teaching was so increased I asked my parents that I might go, in the autumn when my six months in the Prince Edward school was completed, to Toronto to attend the Normal & Provincial School, planned by the Rev. Egerton Ryerson, founder of the great school system of Canada. My six months at this school was a great benefit, giving me the best methods of study, & a fixed desire to spend my entire life in the pursuit of knowledge & the effort to help my fellow-men to quit fighting, & be good to each other. I formed a strong liking for the head of the Normal School, young Robins, son of one



of one of the former pastors of the Bible Christian branch of the Methodist Church of Canada, of whom I got to know more when I had become a preacher myself, at Mitchell. I valued yet more the acquaintance with William Orniston, a really great teacher & eloquent Scotch-Canadian public speaker, graduate of the Methodist University of Ontario, now of Toronto, afterward of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of N.Y. City. I carried with me from this school a first-class teacher's certificate, wh. would give me admission as teacher to any first-class school in the Province of Ontario. I taught the year following at Newcastle, on the north shore of Lake Ontario, fifty miles east of Toronto. Here I made acquaintance with the Hart-Massey family, who were in the business of manufacturing farm implements. My brother John, then doctor of medicine, serving valiantly the new settlers in & around the village of Mitchell, spent one night with me here at Newcastle, never to be seen by me again in this world, as he died of typhoid fever and was buried at Mitchell. During my most impressionable years he acted the fatherly brother's part. At Newcastle the Rev. W.R. Blackstock & wife were my best friends. They helped me to make my first clear confession of Christ as my personal Saviour & I made my first effort to preach the Gospel. There also I planned to go to the University of Victoria College & gained the promise of my parents to aid me to continue until I completed the full seven years course.

After completing my year at Newcastle, on the steamer up the Lake to Cobourg, I fell in with Edmond Story Rupert & others on the same errand as myself. Rupert became my class-leader in the Wesleyan Methodist Church & my class-mate in the following six years in the college course. He recently having completed his course, has preceded me to the presence of the Master.

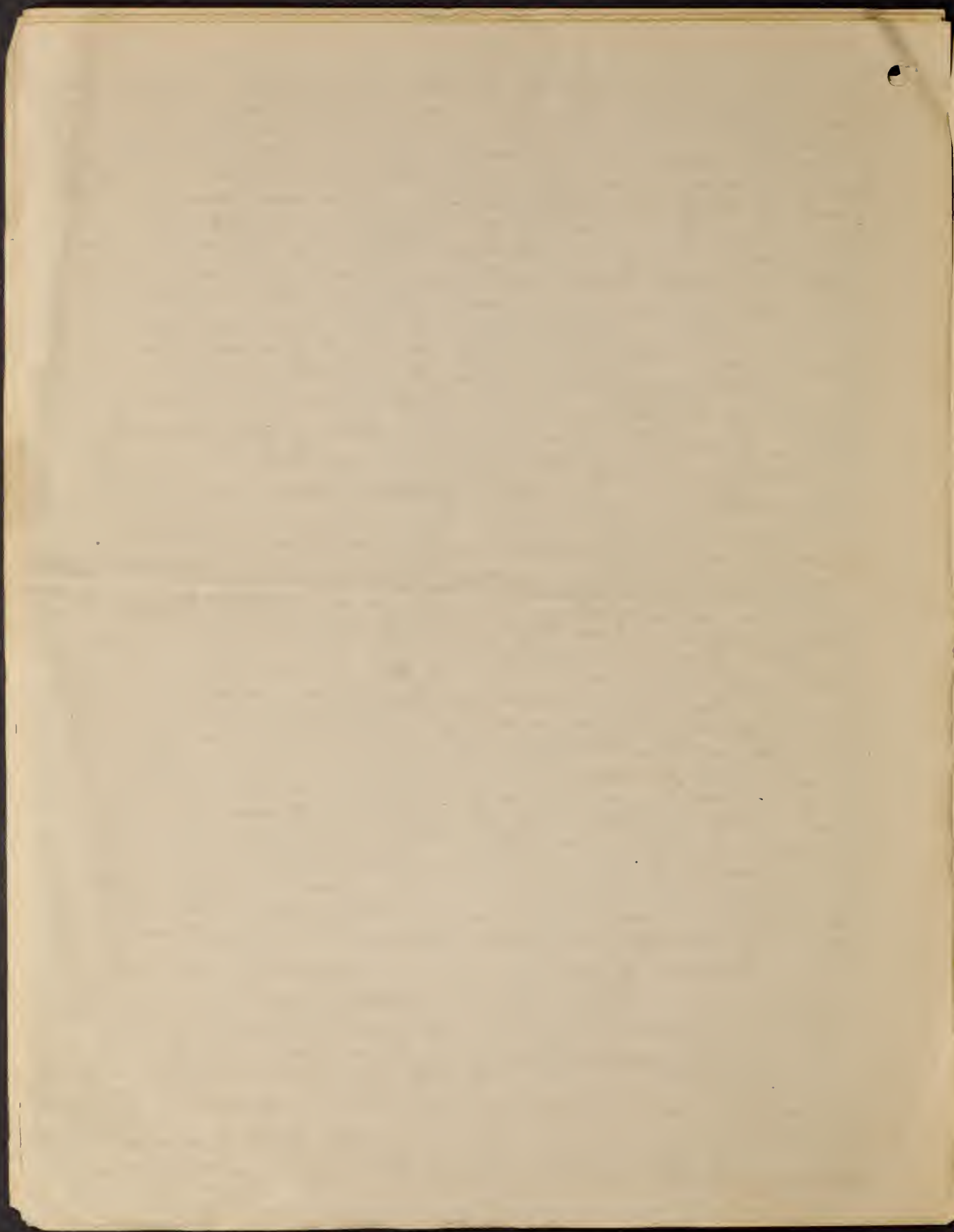
I have first of all to keep in mind my beloved Mother & Father among the good people who were made powerful in the providence of God to direct me to goodness and to God. Their regular grace at table & the regular gathering before breakfast for scripture and prayer, with Bible reading, ending with the Lord's Prayer & always commending ourselves to the care of the Heavenly Father as we retired to rest, & Mother's steady insistence that each member of her family should go to public worship on Sabbath, & on week nights when such were available for us, although impossible for her



for her by reason of feeble health. Grandfather made frequent visits, riding out the three miles on his French pony, wh. was quite a character herself. His love of Isaiah's beautiful words of prophecy impressed us deeply when he assured us those most wonderful words would surely all come to pass. The very frequent visits of old Methodist ministers, who made our house their home when they came to the neighborhood, had a very wholesome influence upon all the family. The old local preachers alternated with the circuit preachers or ordained ministers. Local preachers were much loved & honored, the oldest, a venerable neighbor named Hawley, was, I believe, the first man I ever heard preach. I can see him as, in a long white coat, he came in the school-house door. It was probably a duster, but he kept it on while he preached. Others were Shorey, a grandfather of Egerton, who became my brother-in-law, the husband of my sister Emma. Robert Aylerworth, & several others of that name, many relatives of ours, were much loved & honored as ministers & public speakers, especially ardent on total abstinence & politics.

At college our President, Dr. Nelles, stood foremost; a pure-minded, much loved & admired man. He never encouraged or permitted a too near approach on the part of the students. There was also Dr. Wilson, a man of profound piety & great thoroughness in Latin Greek & Hebrew & in some of the modern languages, French especially. Our professor in mathematics was an able man, whose habit of striking his cane so as to make a distinct noise on the sidewalk got him the name of "Old Dot." He knew how to be mathematically precise. He had taken great pains in the mathematics of astronomy, giving me, as I thought, special attention on the great matter of estimating the distance to the sun, wh. involved the principles of weeks of preceding study. I was given this great problem to put on the black-board & explain it to the assembled guests, principally older students, graduates. Our principal authors on the subject of mental science were American & New England, then afterward Hamilton of Glasgow, who copied largely from celebrated German teachers. In theology we were examined on Watson's Institute history, & as to sermonic examples John Wesley, & more recent English & American pastors of our own time published mostly in New York.

I began to preach, as others of my fellow students did, when we were called to neighboring churches from five to twenty or thirty miles from us in towns or country-sides, to assist the neighboring pastors. In my sophomore year my sister Orpah came with me to Cobourg to attend a ladies' school there & to board with an older sister,

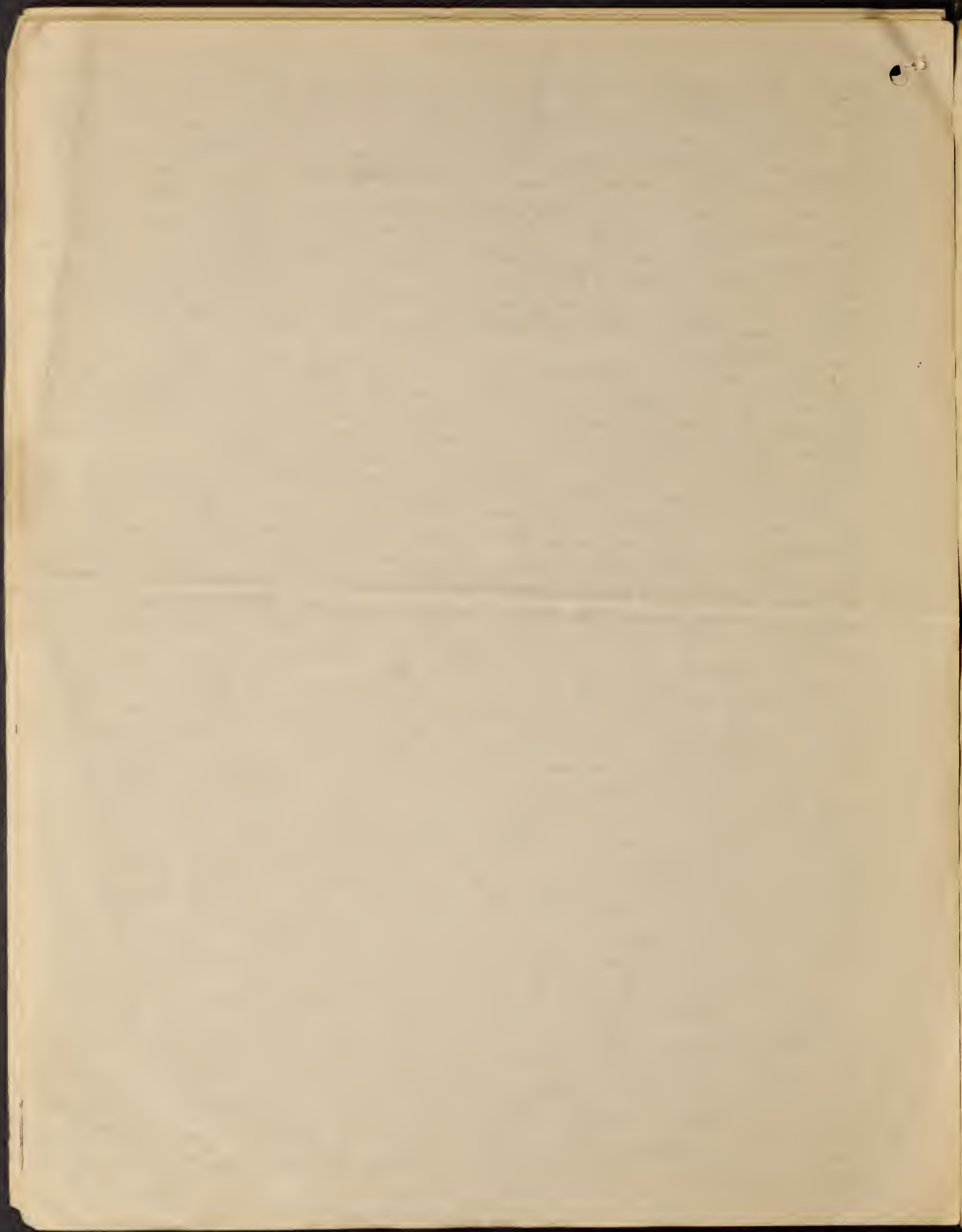


Sister, Samantha Jane Dowling, whose husband was a successful student in theology. Orpah caught typhoid fever & died suddenly. In watching with her I caught the germ, and in a month I was taken down & very kindly nursed to convalescence, & rather prematurely sent home in answer to an urgent ~~call~~ call from mother, who received me most lovingly, spent some hours talking things over, showed her great pleasure in being assured of my purpose to spend my life in the ministry, & just as the sun was going down, left us forever. Her death & the funeral threw me back into an equally severe siege of fever; but I was again fortunate in having a skilled physician, Cousin Amos Bristol, who with the greatest kindness saw me through.

In the year 1860 I graduated & received my college degree in the University, but desiring another year of study to make up for deficiencies, especially in what I regarded as necessary for greater fitness to preach, I secured a year's work at College in instructing a junior class in primary work in college.

After leaving college, I was sent to Mitchell as assistant to the Rev. Asahel Hurlburt. My year at Mitchell was a very pleasant one. Mr. Hurlburt was among the ablest pastors of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, of the older generation — he was a real father to me. He gave me the best gift possible, in handing to my care his second daughter, Hannah, to be my most faithful companion for thirteen arduous years of toil. She became the mother of three boys & three girls, each receiving the deep impress of her mother heart of love & prayerful care, — then she left us to prepare to see her in a more lovely array in Heaven. Harry & Asa left us in early boyhood, & Wilhelmina also, with fever & diphtheria. Thornton, the first-born, lived to be almost twenty six years old, a married man having great promise of a happy and successful life; stricken quite suddenly with typhoid fever.

My twenty years' work in Ontario, after ordination in the far east at Quebec, was all spent in the western part of the country, beginning as stated, at Mitchell, and terminating in the Thames River country south of London. During these twenty years I witnessed the growth of Methodism in no less than five different bodies, new churches springing up in the country-sides & small villages, supported largely by missionary funds which ought to have been sent to distant & really needy places. I felt returning to my heart the desire I had felt in earlier life for the great west. I moved to the great Canadian West and preached a year at Moosejaw, near the great Saskatchewan River; returned to Pembina, the Red River Country, & from thence to Minnesota & Wisconsin, where I felt hurt by an excessive autocratic power from a presiding elder, who a year or two later really needed and received the full



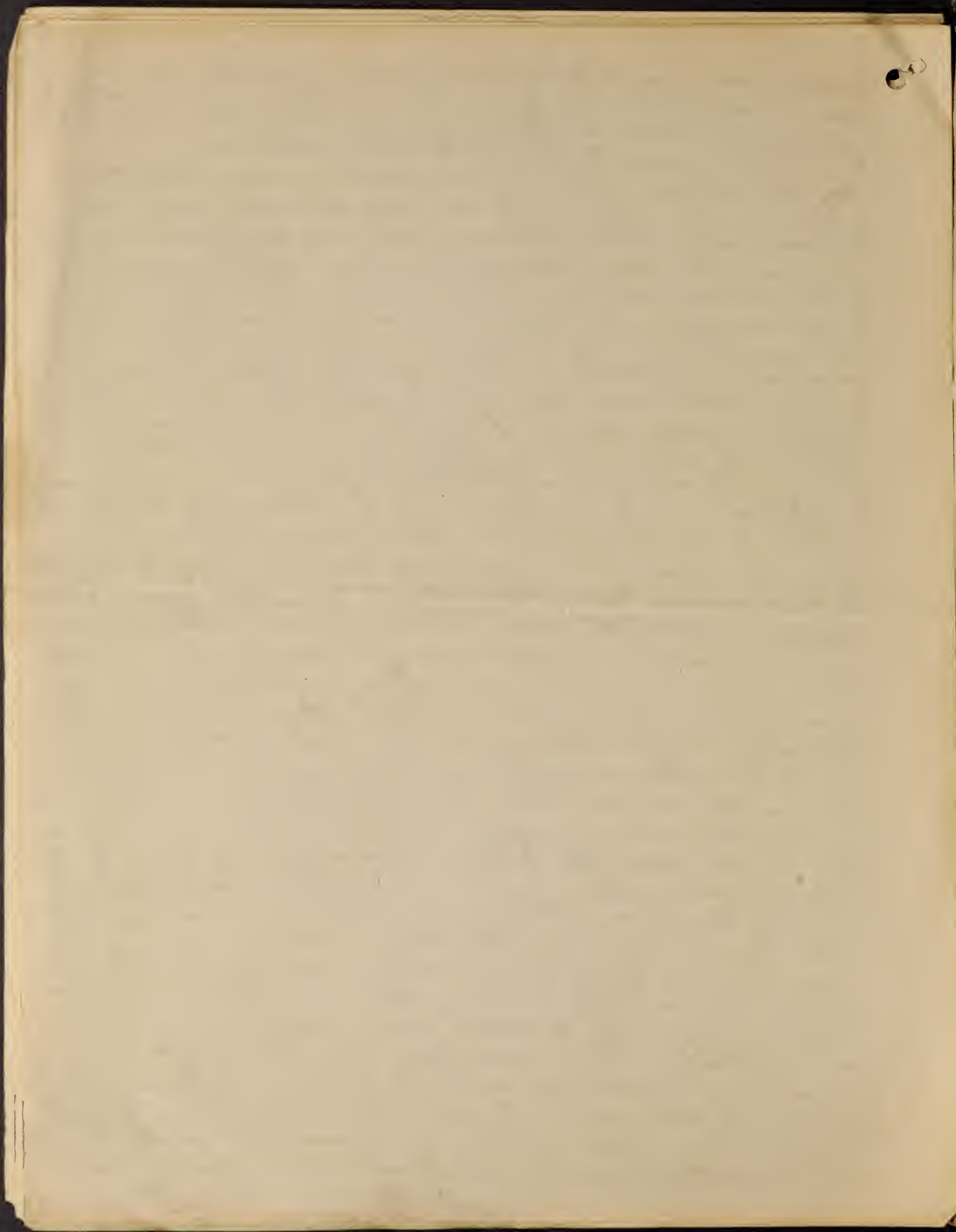
the full exercise of that same power himself. To avoid this I entered the Congregational Church in Central Illinois; & later the Presbyterian Church in wh. I have found a congenial church home ever since.

My first charge in the regular ministry was at Mitchell, and twelve years afterward I went to Fullerton, quite near, to take charge of the old country part of the former charge, now separated from the central town. My charge consisted of six appointments, three villages & three country churches, work enough for two men. Rev. Mr. Hurlburt had now retired, and a year later very kindly served by preaching once or twice, most Sabbaths, on my charge. Often he preached in adjacent towns. He loved to go to Godrich & other towns among his old friends, who loved him deeply & tenderly. In our thirteenth year our dear little Harry, struck quite suddenly with typhoid fever, died in my arms, to be followed in the next year by dear Hannah, the beloved mother of my six children, three boys and three girls. My burden seemed very heavy, but God came to my help. My friends were full of sympathy. I was asked to go to Lucknow, a smart little town seven miles north of Dungannon, where a large circuit, besides the central town, made it heavy work, & adroit management was needed, as the union with the New Methodists and the Wesleyans had taken place, and I had a young man to direct. To do this, and help to manage my home was difficult. Herman Hurlburt, & Mrs. Flagg of Mitchell gave generous aid by taking Thom and Julia for board & lodging, so they could go to the better schools open to them at the larger town, with congenial companionships, especially the Burritt cousins, Charlie & Katie. Katherine spent some months there also.

In 1876 I took a jaunt to the great World's Fair at Philadelphia; and during the year felt it to be an imperative duty to make choice of a new mother for my children, & a companion for myself.

I found at Lucknow a North-of-Ireland family named Smiley, of whom I had had some knowledge near Dungannon, a fine old Presbyterian widow, the head of a large family, who had found a home in my Church.

Their



Their oldest unmarried girl, named Hattie, baptized Hannah, had a fine reputation for self-denying love, and especially her care & nursing of her mother, had attracted my attention. We learned that there was mutual love, and in June, 1876, we were married. A fortunate, providential union, wh. gave me a seventh child, beautiful in infancy, lovely through childhood & a leader in all sports or work among her fellows, a natural teacher, in wh. she has made, & is still making, a fine success; superintending in the city of Detroit a department in which she has 1st, 2nd, & 3rd grades to overlook. Mrs Hattie Smiley Bristol did a noble Christian's self-denying & loving work for over forty years at my side, always successful, busy in the home, always successful in the Sabbath School, Ladies' Aid, & did every form of Godly work. On the 10th. day of June, 1922, we closed her eye-lids in great peace, & she awaits our coming.

In relation to my own personal work as a preacher I always desired, not so much to have any great revivals, but rather in steady position, preaching, and house-to-house visiting, extending to new & wider branches, quite frequently doubling the number of appointments.

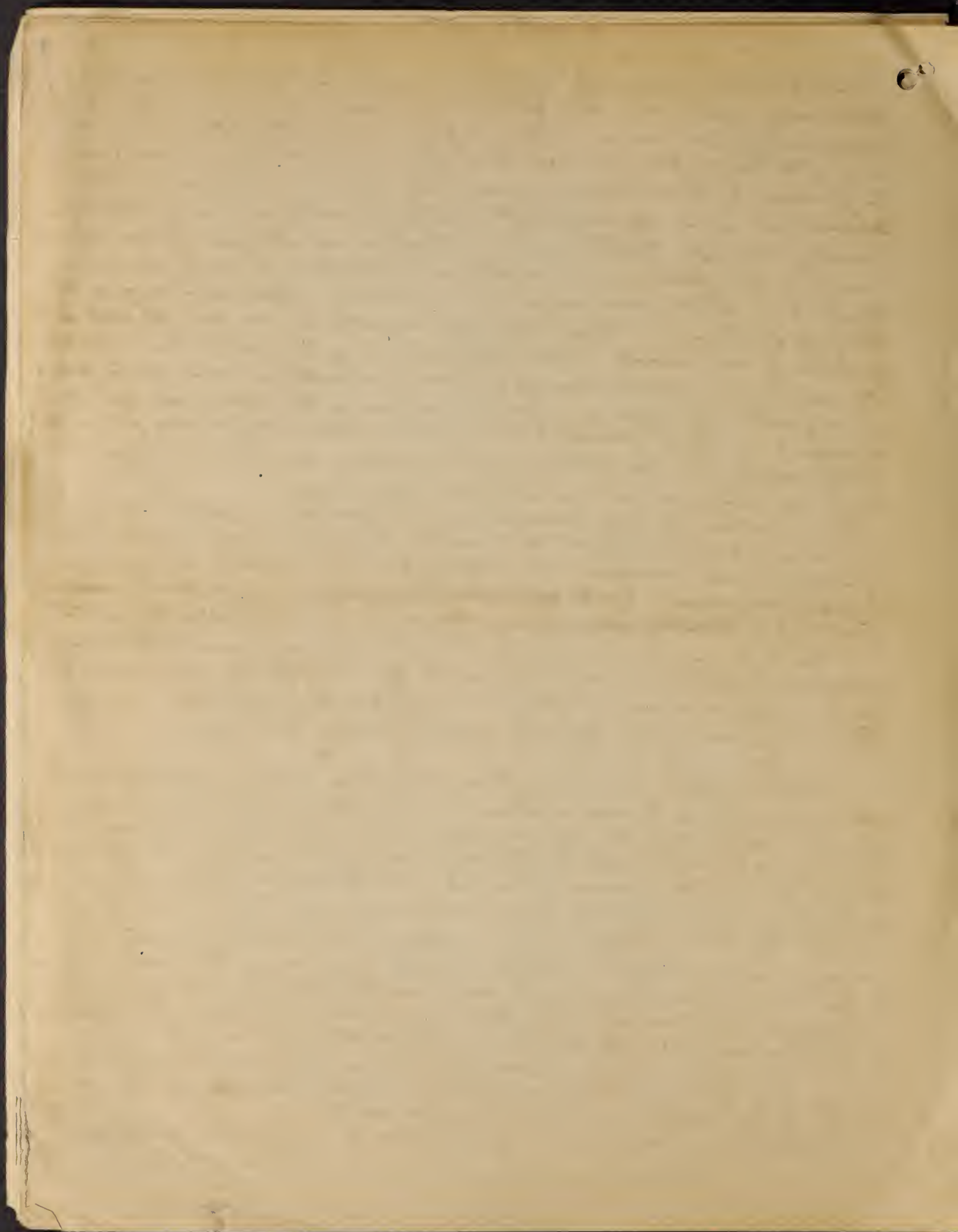
I look forward to meet with infinite joy my old fellow-workers in Paradise; to visit the old fields now would be to miss so many, & find many empty places, or if filled, by persons quite unknown to me.

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(Father, Rev. Colman Bristol, passed away from us on the 6th. of July, 1926. He was within one month of being 93 years of age. He had been failing for a year, after wh. time he was confined to his bed for six months. He lived with Julia & me, in the village of Lake Bluff, the last four years of his life. In the summer Ruth joined us, or took us all for a trip in her car, so we could spend an enjoyable month together. Father never seemed old, or indifferent, but was always interested in what was going on in the world, almost to the last. He had many friends in the village and was very happy in his church-life, finding in the Rev. Nelson Hall, pastor of the Union Church, a true and faithful friend.

He is greatly missed in our home; his loving welcome when any of us returned after a short absence, or the work of the day, will not soon be forgotten.

Written in loving remembrance by his daughter,
Katharine.



MRS. JENNIE J. BRISTOL EXPIRES

WIDOW OF FRANCIS C. BRISTOL LONG ILL

RICHVILLE WOMAN, AGED 66

Native and Lifelong Resident of Richville, Mrs. Bristol Was Eldest Daughter of David Jones, Who Is Recovering From Serious Illness.

(Special to The Times.)

Richville, Nov. 25.—Mrs. Jennie Jones Bristol, 66, widow of Francis C. Bristol, lifelong resident of this immediate vicinity, died at 2 this morning in VanDuzee hospital, Gouverneur, where she had been under treatment five weeks. She had been long ill with diabetes and complications.

Mrs. Bristol was born here June 10, 1872, eldest child of David and Rachel Davies Jones. Her parents were both born in South Wales. Her father, who still lives here, has not been told of his daughter's death because of his advanced age and a serious illness from which he is now recovering. He is nearly 90 years old.

Mrs. Bristol attended the Richville school, and after leaving school was engaged in dressmaking until her marriage to Mr. Bristol Oct. 31, 1894. Mr. Bristol, a farmer here, died a little more than three years ago.

Mrs. Bristol was long active in musical groups here, having a fine contralto voice.

Mr. and Mrs. Bristol had six children, all of whom are living. They are Llewellyn Bristol, Mrs. Meredith (Doris) Jones and Miss Arleen Bristol of Richville, Mrs. William (Julia) Ellis of Ogdensburg, Mrs. John (Norma) Griffis of Sandy Creek and Darwin Bristol of Fulton.

Also surviving Mrs. Bristol are her father, four sisters, Mrs. Sarah Briggs of Ogdensburg, and Mrs. Margaret Royce, Miss Eva Jones and Miss Ruth W. Jones of Richville, and ten grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. Sunday from the home of a daughter, Mrs. Meredith Jones, in Richville, with Rev. Edward J. W. Burston, pastor of the Richville United church, officiating. Interment will be in Maple Grove cemetery here.

Deaths and Funerals

21 Aug 1959

GRACE G. SHARPE

ODESSA — The funeral of Grace G. Sharpe, who died on Aug. 7 in Kingston General Hospital was held Aug. 10 from the Ross A. Jones Funeral Home in Odessa to Cataraqui Cemetery for interment.

Rev. G. E. Coulter, Napanee, officiated at the service. Pall bearers were Ernest Stevens, Arthur Wright, Frank Hannah and Lorne Hannah.

Mrs. Sharpe, who was 67-years-old, has lived at RR 1, Odessa. She had been in poor health for a number of years.

Born in Sillville, the daughter of Roswell Bristol and Lizzy Campbell, she lived in Bath before her marriage to Fred Sharpe.

A member of the United Church at Wilton and Odessa she

was active in WA and the United Church WMS as well as the Women's Institute of Wilton. In recent years she had been a member of the Fourth Line WA.

Surviving besides her husband are two sons, Bill Sharpe of RR 1, Odessa, and Jack Sharpe of Bryon; five grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Robert Hamm of Kingston.

The Golconda diamond mines of India were worked for the first time in the tenth century A.D.



TV Stand-in Does More Than Stand

By HAROLD HEFFERNAN
HOLLYWOOD (NANA) — Five mornings a week, Hollywoodite Maria Tavares puts on her movie makeup, combs her reddish hair carefully and reports for work on stage 11 at Columbia pictures. All day long she faces cameras, stands under hot lights and takes directions. But no one ever sees her, no one in the wide, wide entertainment world that is.

Maria is Jane Wyatt's stand-in on the "Father Knows Best" set, and as such, has never appeared before the TV camera when it is rolling.

A stand-in's job, movie or TV, is not an easy one. And a good stand-in, explains Maria, does far more than just stand.

"When I worked at Paramount on C. B. de Mille movies, I had

TIZZY



TEACHER HURT AS AUTO HITS TRUCK

MANNSVILLE TEACHER IN
CRITICAL CONDITION

MISS MARION PIKE OF PERRY

Miss Pike, 25, on Way Home
When Car Strikes Rear of
Truck Near Oswego—She Suf-
fered Three Compound Frac-
tures and Concussion.

Oswego, Nov. 25.—Miss Marion Pike, 25, of Perry, school teacher at Mannsville, is in a critical condition in the Oswego hospital with injuries received at 3:30 Wednesday afternoon when an automobile she was driving crashed into the rear of a truck on a state highway east of Oswego and then plunged into a ditch.

At the hospital this morning Miss Pike's condition was described as "unchanged." She was conscious. Dr. Grover Elder of Oswego is attending her.

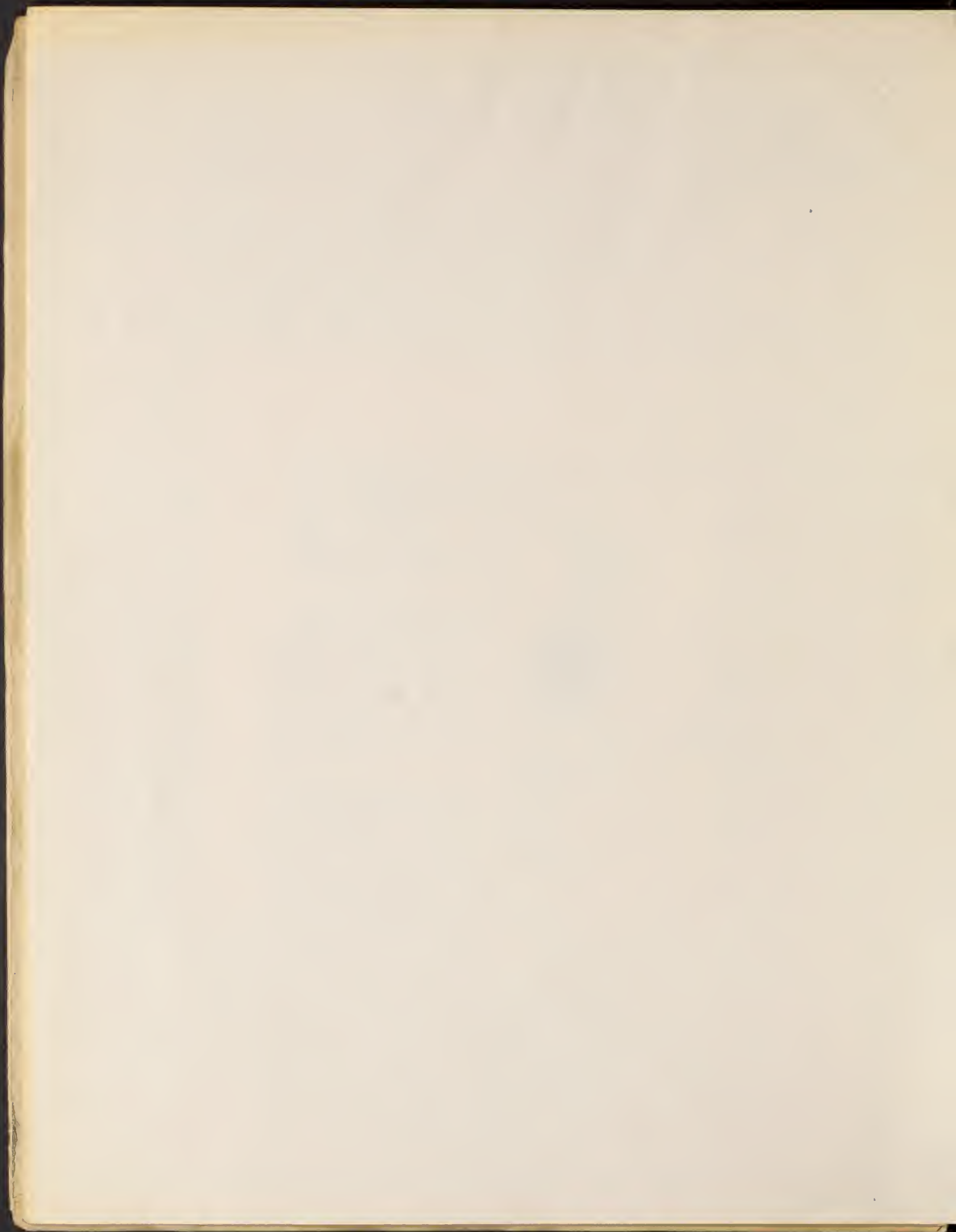
The young woman, who was on her way to her home in Perry to spend the Thanksgiving holiday, suffered compound fractures of her right arm above and below the elbow, compound fracture of her right ankle, severe scalp lacerations and concussion of the brain. Relatives, notified of the accident, arrived here from Perry Wednesday night.

The accident happened when Miss Pike, who was alone, applied the brakes of her car in an attempt to avoid another automobile and an Oswego county highway department truck traveling in the opposite direction. The highway was slippery with snow. The accident occurred at Ladds Corners, a mile east of Scriba Corners and five miles from Oswego.

Officials of the Oswego county sheriff's office said an automobile driven by William Geers of Oswego was passing the truck as Miss Pike applied the brakes. The Geers car passed the truck, but skidded and went off the highway on the south side.

Miss Pike's car crashed into a rear wheel of the truck, which was being driven by Ray Runions of Mexico, and both her car and the truck went into the ditch on the north side of the highway. The heavy truck evidently dragged the car with it in leaving the road.

An ambulance was called to



Bristol

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Daniel S. Way, Sophiasburgh, & Son-in-law Bristol, Westmore 30.1.1817



- 20 June 1797 - John Bristol praying for lands as a Settler. Recommended for 200 acres should he have been twelve months in the Province.

Resume' J. C. Clark Diary

John Wesley Bristol = (Catherine Fietz)

d. June 1, 1860
(b. 1800)

(3 sons 10 daughters)

Peter
= May 3, 1849
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= Mr
Membrey
He absconded
Feb 28, 1853

Ruth B
= Jan. 1, 1857
Geo. Cresselton
Jr.
She died
Mar 2, 1858
b. 1831

Orypah
d. Apr 7
1860
at Coburg
aged 22
(b. 1837-8)

Catherine
= Dec. 25, 1853
John Bell
Aylesworth
of Newburgh

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1825

= Jno Sanford
Burling
1829

(both buried
at Mowen)

Rosewell

b. Aug 1862 in 2d Conc. So. Fred' b'gh
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m. Eliza Campbell who d. 1945; bur McD. Cem.

moved to Conc. 1 EQ lot 21

So. Fred' b'gh in 1900

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in 1900.



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Chas Haskins

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Bristol
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Peter Bristol

Naperville

Celebrated 92nd birthday

B. Dec 27 1820

Probably oldest Mason in the Province

Initiated Oct. 30, 1868 in Union Lodge, Naperville



Hamilton, 51 Herkimer St.

b. Napanee, son of the late Dr. Geo. Bristol

d. Sept 24 (1918) from heart trouble

Leading philanthropic & business man of Hamilton

Head of firm of Bristol & Somerville Co.

Came to Hamilton as a young man, & entered employ
of Lucas, Park & Co., of which he eventually
became a member. In 1882 it was reorganized as
Lucas, Steele & Bristol.

When Canada Grocers, ^{ltd.} was formed he went to Toronto
as its president. 5 yrs later when the business was
dissolved he returned to Hamilton & bought out
the interests of his former partners R. A. Lucas
& R. T. Steele, in the old business

Anglican. Instrumental in raising a fund of \$47,000
for aged clergymen of the Anglican Church.

Survived by widow, a sister of the late Dr. James
White

One son

Major Everett Bristol, C. M. G., secretary to Sir
Edward Kemp in London, Eng.

Two daughters

Mrs Penison, wife of Capt Dr. R. J. Penison, chaplain
of the Can. forces in France.

Miss Marjorie, at home.

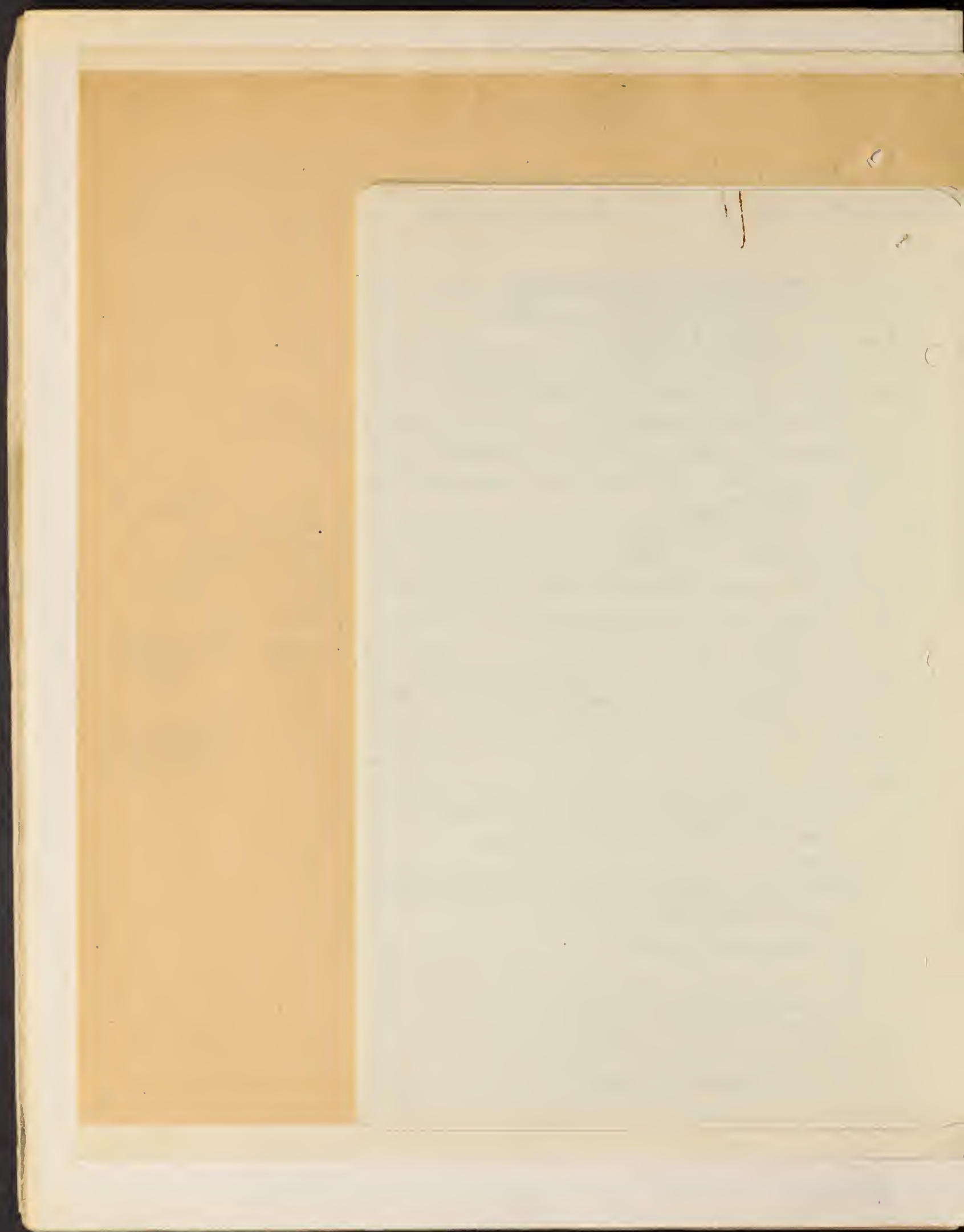
Sisters

Mrs (Dr.) Saunders, Kingston.

Mrs. Geo. D. Hawley, Napanee.

Step mother

Mrs A. S. Bristol, Oakville.



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Peter Bristol

Napawee

d May 15, 1915 aged 94 yr 4 mo. 19 days.

Methodist

A 7:30 A.M. probably the oldest mason in the Province.

Resided on Piety Hill

Buried Mowen Cemetery

Survived by 1 son 1 dau

Harry, at home

Mrs. J. B. Ayresworth, Newburgh

(Son of Mr. John Bristol. born May 3, 1849, Miss Julia,
dau. of Mr. William C. Ton) (J.C.C. Diary).

John Wesley Bristol



Catherine = Jno Bell
Ayresworth

Roswell Buries

b. Aug 1862
= 1880

Sir Allen
Ayresworth

d 1945

Lived EQ Lot 21

1st time so

Fiddletown
for 45 yrs



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Oerton C. Bristol

of Omaha, Neb.

d. Jan 29, 1915 aged 50 yrs Son of our townsman
(Napawee), Peter Bristol (= May 3, 1849 Miss Julia, dau.
M. W. m. Caton. He son of John
Bristol.) (I. C. C. Diary)
Burial in Napawee.



John Bristol
settler in 1797

Alice (Elsee)
= 12 Dec 1809
John
Campbell
of Sophiasburg

Esther
= 23 Jan 1810
Lewis
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Elisha
1 Sep 1797
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Coleman

Susanna
(= Daniel S
Way
30 Oct 1819)
Norris
Hartke

Dr George

Peter
b. 27 Dec 1820
d. May 15, 1915
of Napanee

= Geo. D
Hawley
Napanee

George Z.
d. Sep 24 1918
51 Herkimer St
Hamilton

= Dr Saunders
Kempston

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Omaha, Neb.
b. 1865
d Jan 29 1915

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Napanee

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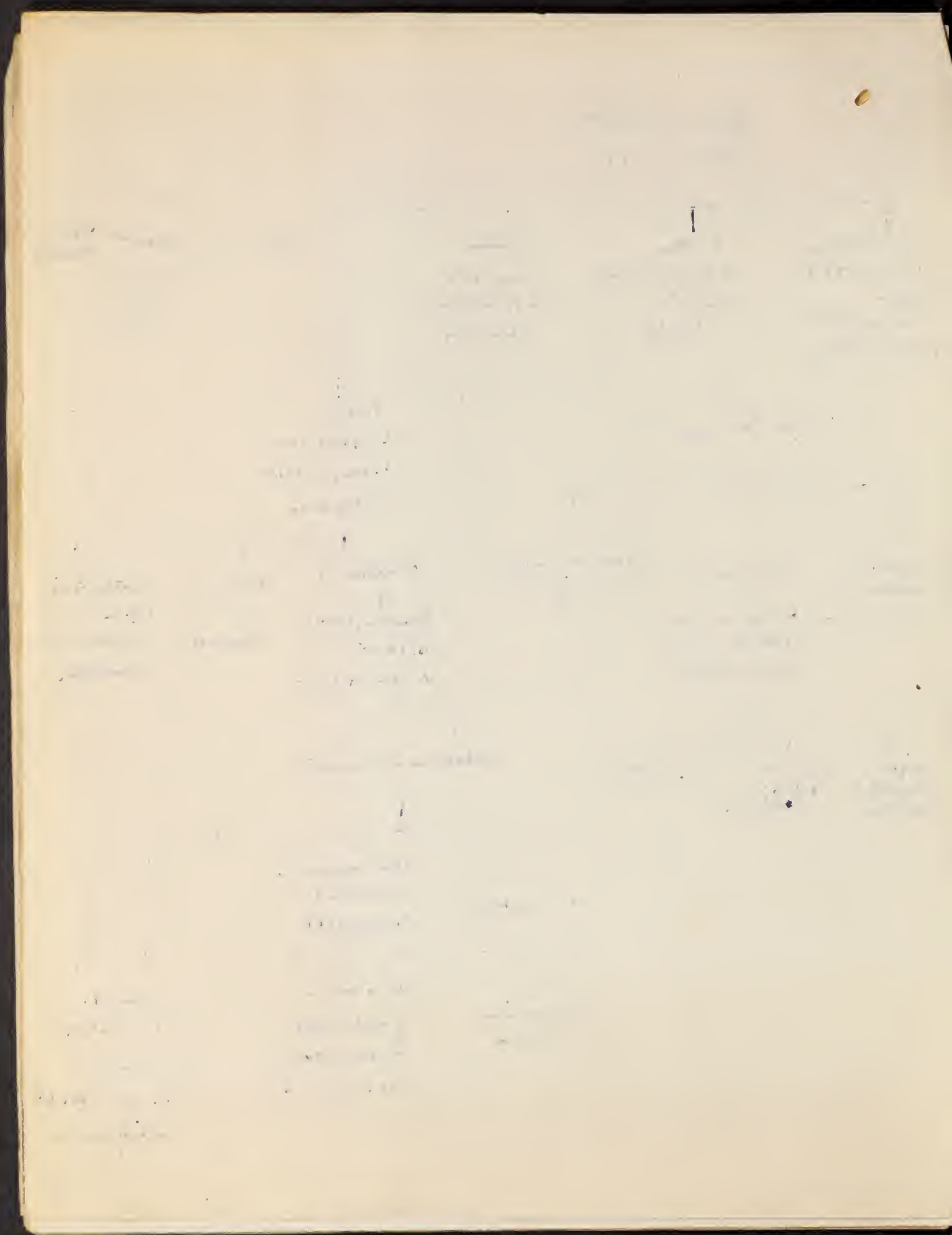
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Emily F.
Bristol,
of Napa
R.F. D. 3 Box 68
California



Aylsworth Genealogy

Bristol

Arthur

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Philip

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Job

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Bowen

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Job = Nov. 1, 1825 Anna, dau. Jno & Margarita (McKenzie) McClellan
b. Apr. 6, 1800 b. Nov 23 1804 Albany N.Y.

Dec. 25, 1853

John Wesley

John Bell = Catharina, dau. John Bristol & Catharine Fritz
b Jan 10, 1826 b Jul 4, 1831 b. 27 Dec. 1820
d Dec 27, 1921 d. Nov. 14, 1897 d. May 15, 1915
of Newburg

Allen Bristol
b Nov. 27, 1854
= Adelaide A
Miller

George Anson
Bristol
b. Jan. 25, 1857
= Sept. 29, 1890
d. 30 Nov 1939

Emma Bell
b. Dec. 17, 1873
= Dec. 20, 1893
Hauley Gladstone
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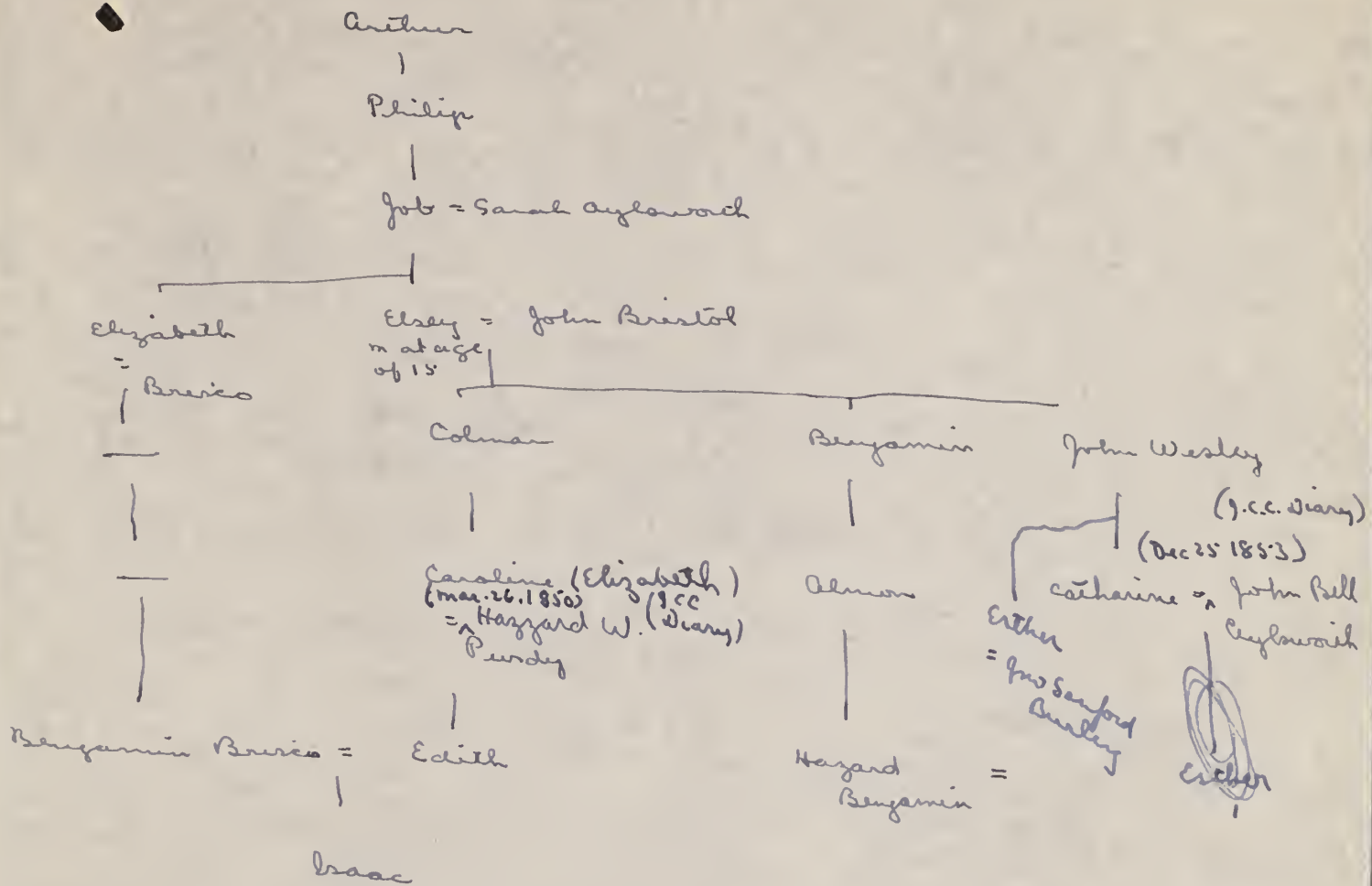
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Bristol





Arthur Aylsworth = Mary, dau. Rev. John & Mary (Holmes) Brown.
 b. Eng., circ 1656
 Emigrated circ 1681
 d. 1725-

Philip = Rachel, dau. of Daniel & Rebecca (Barrow) Greene
 b. 1692

Job Philip = Deborah (Waite) Dyer widow of William Dyer
 = 1st

Sarah dau of Elisha Clark

= 2d

Sarah, dau of Philip (Arthur, Arthur) Aylsworth & Elizabeth
 Emigrated 1788

Elsey = Dec 8, 1787. John Bristol

b. Nov 10
 1772

Rennselaer Co.,
 N.Y.

b. Oct. 21, 1759

in Ulster Co., N.Y.

son of Abraham Bristol, a Baptist preacher.

d. Oct. 28, 1849 (Oct. 20, 1849 J.C.C. Diary)

Emigrated to Canada 1793

Class leader for 40 years

(June 15)
 1858 } d. 1854
 J.C.C. } 219 desc.
 Diary of whom
 165 living

Elsey = 1811	Esther = 1810	John Wesley b. Feb 26, 1793	Coleman b. Feb 8, 1796	Benjamin b. May 3, 1797	Susanna = Daniel Way d. Pa. Ed. Co.	Elizth = John Booth 1 son 2 daus	Lavinia d. 4 as 3 yrs	Norris = Mary Anderson d. w. Madre	Barah = Joseph Rose SP (u)	Joel Emery b. 1811 = Rachel Dwyer d. w. Thurlow, Ont (u)
John Campbell Blacksmith Pr. Ed. Co d. 1874	Lewis Frederick d. 1859 (u)	Catharine Felix b. 1800 d. 1860 (June 1) (J.C.C. Diary)	Catharine Way d. w. near Bath	Ruth dau Crey & Matilda Bull Spencer d. b. Oct 21, 1797 d. w. Picton	Ed. Co. (u)	1 son 2 daus (u)	3 yrs	1 6 sons 3 daus	(u)	(u)
3 daus	7 daus. (u)	3 sons 3 sons 10 daus (u)	3 sons 6 daus (u)	one son 3 daus						

Mills Family

P. L. B. Quite

Thomas Mills Sr = Jane Armstrong

d 1837 ae 69

d 1857 ae 88

served war 1812

set 1st 4 mi from Beth

later Big 2d

Thomas = Anna Badgley

Enoch = Lydia Weeks

Shuman = Martha L. Bristol

of Big 2d

Spencer Family

1758
Thos Spencer = Ruth Wright

Corey Spencer = 1791 Matilda, dau Josiah Bull, + desc. of Henry Bull
b 1760 who came to America in 1635

Ruth = Benjamin Bristol
set. Picton

Almon Eliza A. Matilda Caroline A

1871

1872

1873

1874

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1884

8. Norris Haskell (born 17 Nov., 1707) married Mary Anderson who was daughter of Wm. Anderson and Mary Way, who was dau. of John Way and Molly Budd who went to Canada from Dutchess Co., N.Y. in 1805.

See Way Family

Henry = 1st _____
 2^d = 29 Jan 1656 Lydia Bowen
 Emigrant-
 from Eng.
 d. 1695

Daniel = 1st Hester Sperry

b. May 4 1671
 d. May 15 1728

Samuel = 1727 Esther Sanford
 (1705-1793)
 b. Aug 8, 1706
 d. 1774

Rev. Abraham = 1st _____
 b. 1736
 Soldier in
 Continental Army

= 2^d Apr 18, 1757 Susanna
 Colbreath

Dec 6, 1767

John = Elsey Aylsworth

b. Oct 4 1759
 Soldier in
 Continental Army

John Way
 to Can 1805
 Molly Budd
 Mary Way
 Wm Anderson

Coleman Po
 b. 8 Feb 1795
 = Catherine
 Elzly Way
 on Oct. 27, 1822

other
 children

Susanna = Oct 3, 1818
 Daniel Samuel
 b. 16 Feb 1801 Way

Norris = Mary Anderson
 Haskell
 b. 17 Nov., 1807

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Kelcherson

P. L. B. Quinte

Bally Ays

Bristol

Wm Kelcherson ¹⁷⁷⁹ = Mary dau John Reel

Wm = Nancy, dau of John Roblin
1782-1874

John R = 1^o Sarah Catron
b 1818 = 2^o Miss Young.
act Madoc = 3^o Mrs. Connolly

Charity = W. Bristol

Bristol Family
P. L. B. Quinte

John Bristol = Alice (Elsie Aygloworth)

John Coleman Benjamin Nonis Joel
about 1819 act.
1 mi E. of Picton
= Ruth, dau
Cory Spence

Almon
= Mary Hazard
act. Picton

Eliza A
= Wm T. Varwood

Mabelda
d. unkn

Caroline Q
unkn

Robert V
Ethel ~~Geo B~~ Geo B Ralph Carl James A Florence Mary Caroline Helen son
all d. y.
Ruth = Geo M. Mullen
act. Picton

Sarah M Hazard
= Georgia
Haet
Picton
no issue

Ruth
= Wm
Dwight
Chicago
Edith Herbert Theodore

Annie J.
= Robert
Davidson
Picton
Helen Ruth

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unkn
act Picton

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Ferdinand Wesley Bristol, husband of Mary Amelia Way, was born 22 Mar., 1866; died 13 July 1927. He was son of Oscar Wesley Bristol who was born Mar. 15, 1835 and married Mary Jane Paget and lived on Big Island (Pr. Edw. Co.), and grandson of Norris Haskell Bristol of Madoc, Ont., whose wife was Mary Anderson, born May 21, 1814; d. June 9, 1881, dau. of Wm. Anderson (1786-1869) and Mary Way (Feb. 10, 1792; 1866) who was a sister of John Way who married Mary Casey. Mary Casey (1792-1864) was one of the nine children of William Casey of Cebolphus-loun (1760-1842).

1. Henry Bristol came from England and settled at New Haven, Conn., where he died 1695. His second wife was Lydia Bowen whom he married 29 Jan 1656.

They were parents of

2. Daniel Bristol who was born May 4, 1671 and died May 15, 1728.

His first wife was Hester Sperry, who was mother of

3. Samuel Bristol, born Aug. 8, 1706; died 1774. In 1727 he marr. Esther Sanford (1705-1793) and had nine children.

The second was

4. Rev. Abraham Bristol (b. 1736) whose 2nd wife was Susanna Colbreath to whom he was married Apr. 18, 1757. He was a soldier in the Continental Army during the Revolution and lived at New Paltz and Sand Lake, N.Y. They were parents of

5. John Bristol, born Oct. 4, 1759, marr. Elsey Bylsworth Dec. 8, 1787, and removed from Greenbush, N.Y., to Canada in 1793. He also served with the American forces during the American Revolution. Three of his children married into the Way Family:

6. Coleman B., born 8 Feb., 1795, married Catharine Elizabeth Way, Oct. 27, 1822

7. Susanna, born 18 Feb., 1801, married Daniel Samuel Way on Oct. 3, 1818

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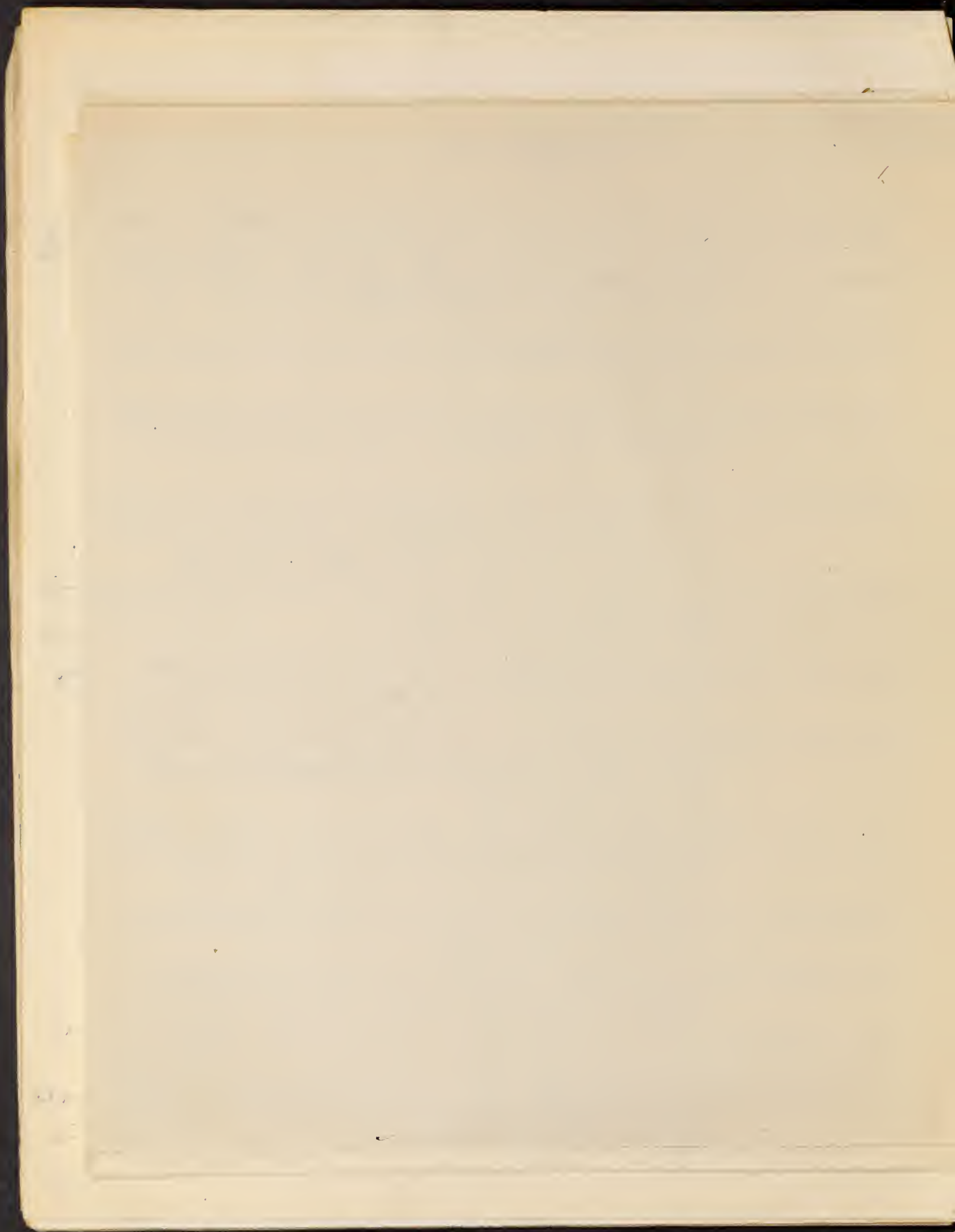
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J. C. Clark Diary
1831-1864

- Nov. 11, 1846 Mr. Peter McPherson and Miss Clarissa Bristol married
- ✓ May 3, 1849 Mr. Peter Bristol, son of Mr. John Bristol, and Miss Julia, daughter of Mr. William Caton, married
- ✓ Oct. 20, 1849 Old Mr. John Bristol died suddenly at evening aged 90 years.
- Mar. 26, 1850 Mr. Hazard Wilcox Purdy and Miss Caroline Elizabeth Bristol of Ernesttown married. (da. Coleman?)
- ✓ July 25, 1853 Mr. Memberg, of the John Hess farm, absconded with Miss Martha Bowerman (hitherto respectable) to the U.S.: his wife is a daughter of Mr. John W. Bristol
- ✓ Dec. 25, 1853 Mr. John B. Bylsworth of Newburgh and Miss Catha Bristol of Fredericksburg married.
- ✓ Jan. 1, 1857 Mr. George Araelatine, jun., and Miss Ruth B. Bristol, both of Ernesttown, married by the Rev. D.C. Clappison.
- ✓ Mar. 2, 1858 Mrs. George Araelatine, jun., of Fredericksburgh, a daughter of Mr. John W. Bristol (Ruth B. Bristol) died in the 22nd year of her age.
- ✓ June 15, 1858 Old Mrs. Alice Bristol, of Ernesttown, front, mother of Coleman Bristol, Esq., died in the 86th year of her age.
- ✓ Nov. 26, 1859 Mrs. Esther Bristol, wife of Lewis Fetz, Esq., of Fredericksburgh, died aged 69 years
- ✓ Apr. 7, 1860 Miss Orpah Bristol, daughter of Mr. John W. Bristol of Fredericksburgh, died at Cobourg, aged 22 years.
- ✓ June 1, 1860 Mrs. John W. Bristol died - residing in Fredericksburgh
- Nov. 29, 1863 Mrs. Amos B. Bristol, of Napawee, died of Typhoid Fever. She was a daughter of the late Mr. Daniel Everitt of the Township of Kingston



John Bristol =

20.10.1844
ae 90

Aylsworth

d. 15.6.1858 - 88⁴ yr.

John Wesley = Catherine
Bristol

d. 1.6.1860

Fritz
sister of Lewis
d. 6.11.1860

John = Jane
Fitz

Esther = Lewis
Fitz.
d. 26.1.1859
ae 69

Rev. Hannah
Colman Hulbert

~~11.8.1833~~
11.8.1833
b. 7.1926

d. yr
after
Harry

= Mrs 1876
Hannah
Smiley
d. 10.6.1922

Orpah

d.
Typhoid
fever
7.4.1860
ae 22

Rich B.

1839
d. 2.3.1858
in 22 yr

Samantha
b. 4.1833

Geo
Ayselstine

John

b. 1827
M.D.

d. Sc. Fever
Mrs. Mitchell
Dnt

Emma =

Shorey

Esther
1825

Almon
of Newburgh

Jno Sanford
Burling

(both buried
at Mowen)

Harry

asa

willdman

Thorton

Julia

Katherine

b. 1840

d. 1840

d. young

1st born

d. ae 26
Typhoid
fever



Heads of Families Bristol
New York State

Albany County
Kinnelawick Town

Bristol John	1	0	2	00
Daniel	1	0	2	00

Columbia County
Canaan Town

Bristol Eliphallet	1	2	1	00
" Asher	2	1	2	00
Bury	1	5	3	00
Abeel	1	3	2	00
Eliphallet	3	1	5	00

Montgomery County
Kempersfield Town

Bristol Richard	2	0	2	
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Whites Town

Bristol Joel	5	0	2	
" Eli	2	0		

~~Washington~~

~~New York State~~ County

~~Arise Town~~

~~New York State~~ West

Bristol Elias	1	0	4	
Will	1	1	1	
Amos	1	2	3	
Ben	1	0	2	

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

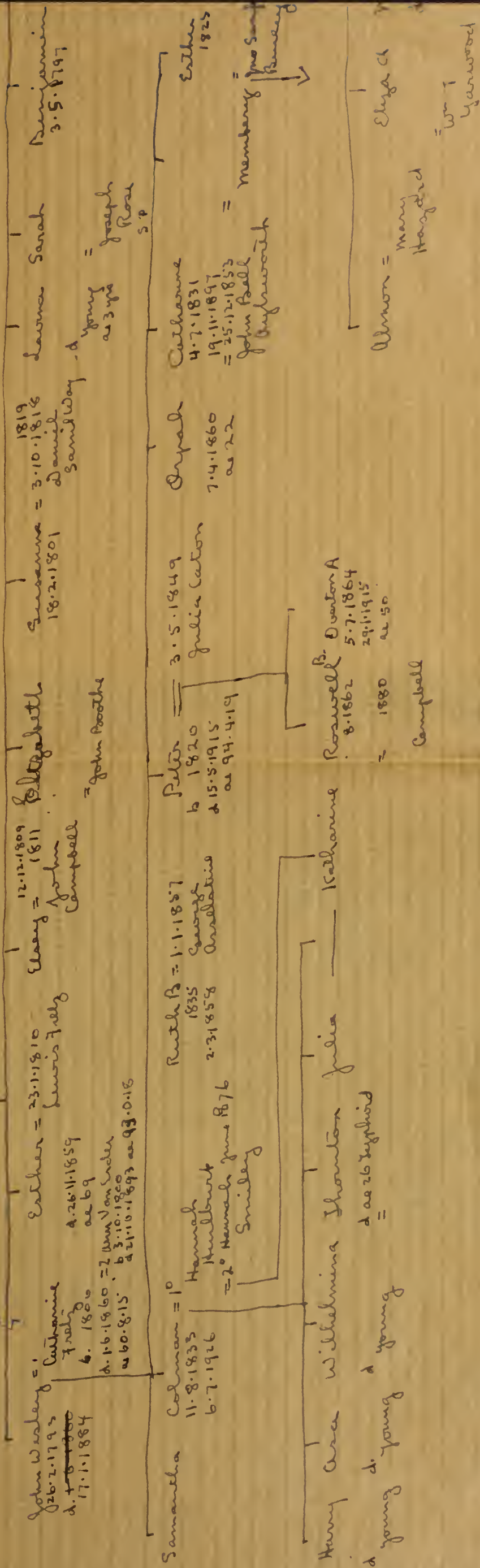
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Fennell
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Clyde
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2.1866
5 25
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BRISTOL.

Census of 1851.

1st Concession, Ernesttown Township.

C. Bristol, farmer	b. Canada W.	Wesleyan Meth	57	next birthday.
C. " (Catherine Eliza Way,	do	do	46	do
S. Marr. bond 25-10-1822)				
M. A. "	do	do	25	female
M. A.	do	do	24	do
C.	do	do	19	do
J. " Laborer	do	do	16	
L. " do	do	do	14	
A. "	do	do	10	female
P. A. "	do	do	7	do
C. J. Blakely	do	do	18	do
A. Bristol	U.S.A.	do	83	do



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BRISTOL BUILDERS' SUPPLIES

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October 18, 1956.

Dr. H. C. Burleigh,
Bath, Ont.

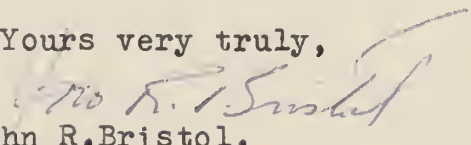
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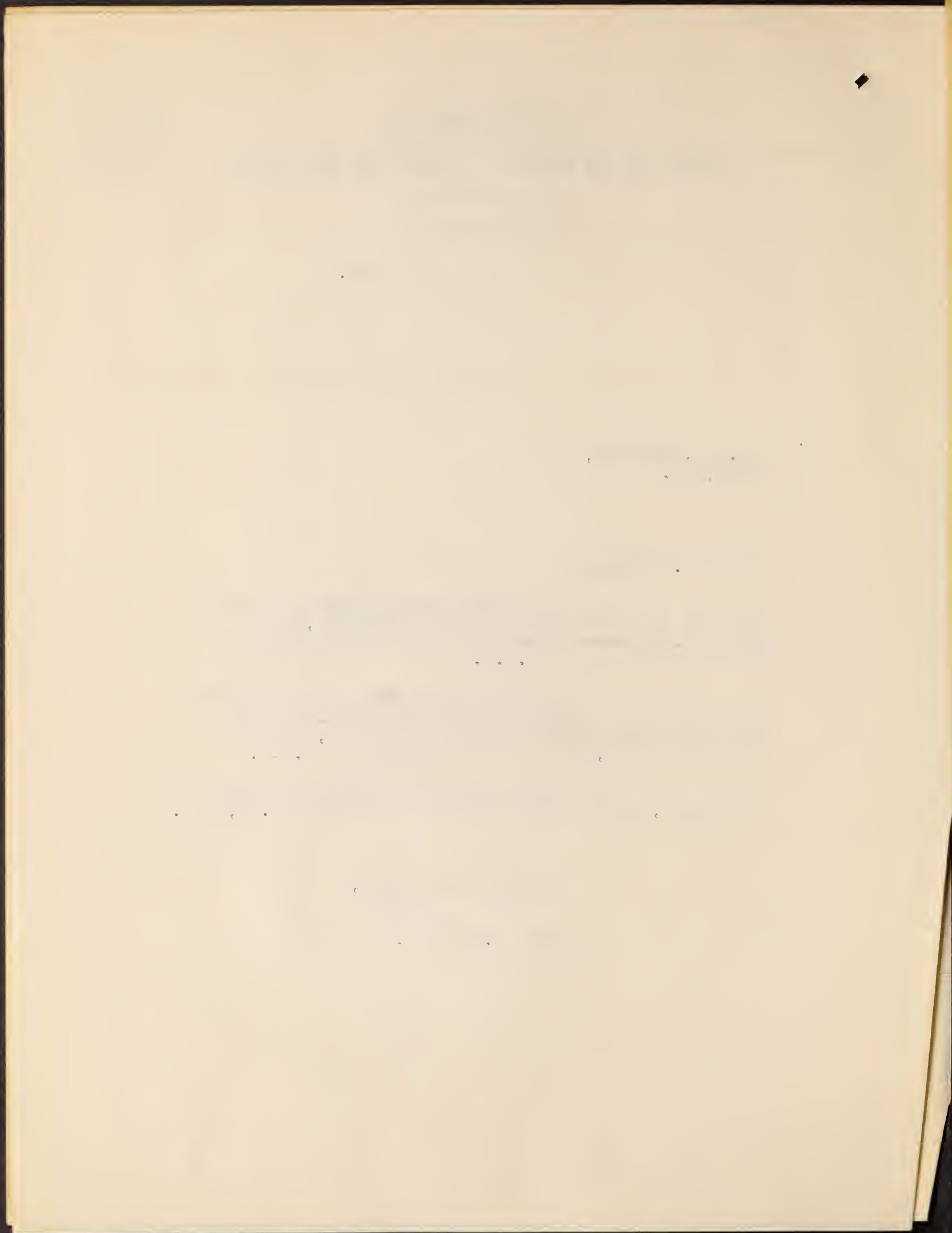
I have been informed that you may be able to inform me whether my ancestor, John Bristol, who moved from Sand Lake to Ernestown in 1793 is listed as a U.E.L.

It is my understanding that even if he served with the Loyalists during the American Revolution and did not register as such, when he came to Canada, he was not recognized as U.E.L.

I might add that he married Elsey Aylsworth, who was born on Rode Island on Nov. 10, 1772.

Yours very truly,


John R. Bristol.



Bath, Ont.
23 Nov., 1956

Mr. John W. Bristol,
Madoc, Ont.

Dear Mr. Bristol:

I must apologize for not replying sooner to your letter of Oct. 18th. It is not because I did not have the desire to do so, but rather that delay from day to day, plus the interruptions incident to my way of life.

As you may already know, when the hereditary title of U. E. L. was granted to Loyalist and their descendants, there were two prerequisites, namely:

1. They must have joined the Royal Standard prior to the Peace in 1763.
2. They must have settled in Canada prior to 1797.

As you can see, there may have been soldiers who fought and then returned to U. E. L. and there may have been those who fought with the Rebels and who came to Canada before 1797. In neither case would they qualify for the title.

Your ancestor, John Bristol did remove to Canada in 1793, but according to the reminiscences of the Rev. Coleman Bristol (which I have before me in the original) and the article in Pioneer Life on the Day of Jubilee, both John Bristol, the first Canadian ancestor, and his father both fought with the Rebels during the conflict. This fact disqualifies any descendant from claiming U. E. L. descent from them alone.

The Lysworths came to Canada about 1791, but the History of the family does not claim that any of them joined the Royal Standard nor that they were Loyalists. Neither name (Bristol or Lysworth) is to be found in the U. E. List, nor did their children apply for land as U. E. L.

On the other hand, it seems to me that any family living in Ontario for several generations must have some U. E. L. ancestor. And I do hope that you investigate other branches for a Loyalist ancestor. According to my file on the Bristols, your line is as follows:

Morris Haskell, mar. Mary Anderson.
b. 17.11.1807

Oscar Wesley, mar. Mary Jane Paget
b. 15.3.1835

Ferdinand Wesley, mar. Mary Mollie Way.
b. 23.3.1866
d. 13.7.1927

If I am right in the above family chart, you might well trace back the Anderson, Paget and Way lines for a few generations. If you do this and forward it to me, I shall be only too pleased to assist you in any way to determine your Loyalist descent.

Yours sincerely,

R. C. Darlington
Branch Genealogist.



Dr Burleigh:

Up around Madoc are a number of BRISTOLS
all potential U.E.L. members, I believe. From one I was
able to learn the following:

Henry Bristol came to America from England 1645
settling in Rhode Island

came to Ernesttown 1793

John Bristol b.1759/served with the Loyalists;
married Dec/8/1787 Elsie Aylsworth (b.1772) 5th child
of JOB AYLWORTH and Sarah CLARK who came to Ernesttown
in 1788

Job was son of PHILIP AYLWORTH and Rachel Green

Philip was 4th son of Arthur AYLWORTH 1656-1725
who came to America and settled in Kingstown, R.I.,
married Mary Brown of Providence, R.I. and had 10 children

~~Further forgoing~~

If the foregoing checks out it would seem
proper for me to send an application form through to
John Roblin Ketcheson Bristol who married Middle Woodburn,
and has 3 girls, 1 son, lives in Toronto on Forest Hill

Applications Approved 30 Oct 1956

1. Mrs Elda Norma Georgina (Daverne) Gray, 225 East St.,
Napawee Ont U. E. Ance.: Wm Rutton
2. Mrs Jean Elizabeth Burns, 173 East St., Napawee, Ont
U. E. Ancestor John Gesselstine
3. Mr. David Rae Roblin, R.R. 1, Belleville, Ont
U. E. Ancestor: John Roblin, David Duclmage
4. Mr. George Ross Roblin, R.R. 1, Belleville, Ont.
U. E. Ancestors: John Roblin, David Duclmage

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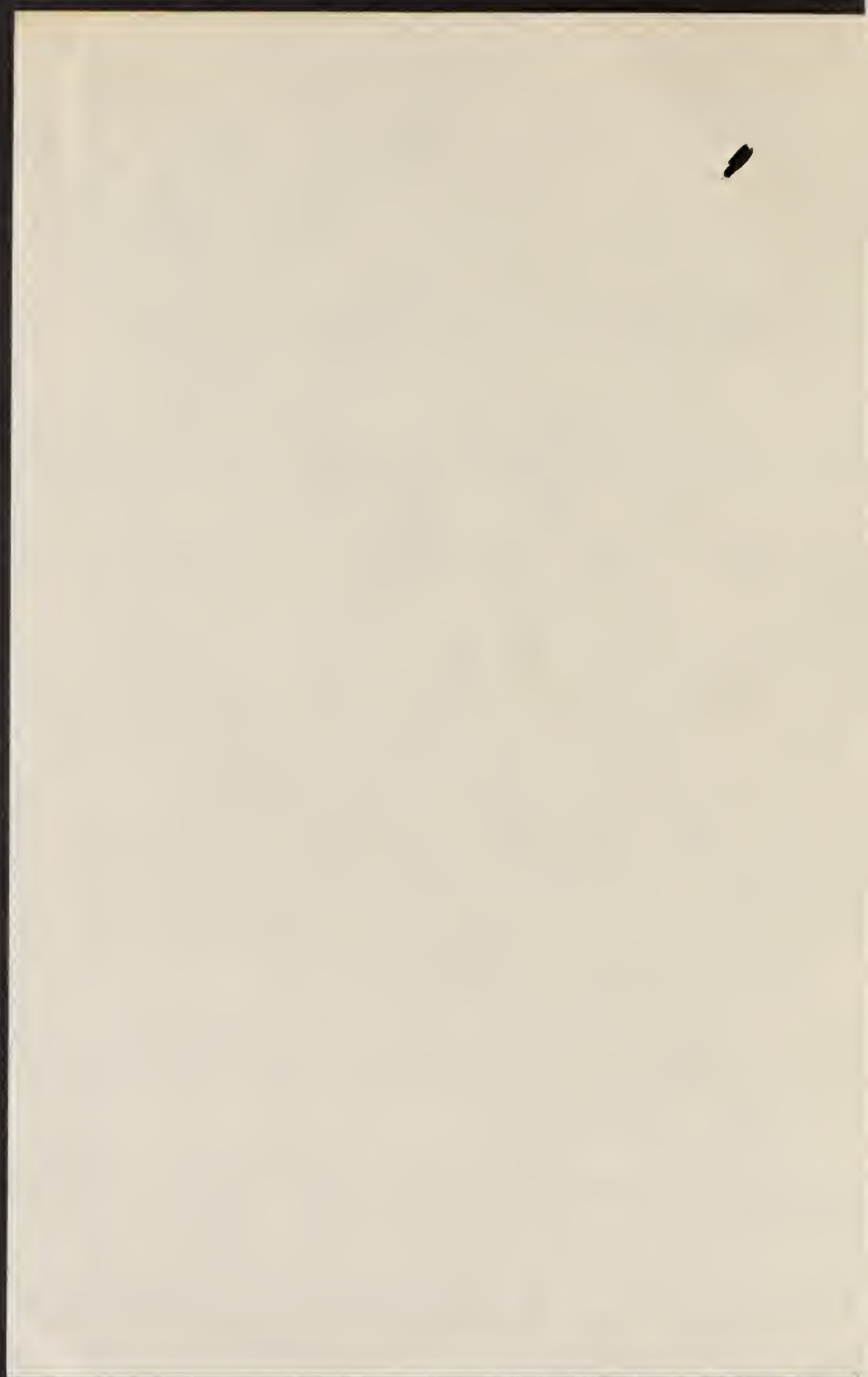
Dear Dr. Burleigh,

at long last, the
Bischof family history.
One or two spots I
questioned because I
wasn't too sure of the
writing.

This history was, I
imagine, compiled by
Everett Bischof, K.C., who
sent it to Mrs. Saunders
(Aunt Kate) about March,
1931, according to an
accompanying letter.

Sincerely,

Rose M. Allen.



§ Robert F Bristol = 20.9.1909 Mildred Andrews
b. 21.5.1883; d. 25.7.1952
Moved to Vancouver from
Madoc in 1905

9 Francis
Bruce Francis
b. Vancouver
29.8.1911
served - 4.5 AAF
in World War II

John R. Rindolph
to Ballbridge
7.12.1917
Served in RCAF
w. 62 st

- 20.5.1942
- Montreal
Jean Segure

Robert
Malcolm
in Fort Worth, Tex.
5.7.1920
moved to Essex
G collection & talked

Charles L. Mader
b. Mader 17.12.1927

Or
Bruce Howard
to Montreal
7. 7. 1943

Donald Serge
b. Belleville
27.3.1947

in action
21.7.1944
at Falaise
France



Bristol Family of Madoc

1 Henry Bristol = 29.1.1656
of New Haven Conn / Lydia Brown
d. 1695

2 Daniel Bristol = Hester Sperry
b. 4.5.1671
d. 15.5.1728
8 children

3 Samuel Bristol = 1727 Esther Sandford
b. 8.8.1706 at
New Haven Conn
d. Millford 1774
Served in French-Indian
War. bought land
in Millford 27.4.1731

4 Abraham Bristol = Susannah Colbreath
b. 4.4.1736
settled first at New Paltz, N. Y.
Moved to Sand Lake, Rensselaer Co
N. Y. was Baptist Preacher
Served in Revolutionary War
in Rebel Forces

5 John Bristol = 8.12.1787 Elsey Oylsworth
b. 19.10.1759 she b. Rhode Island 10.11.1772
d. 28.10.1849
(?) Served with the Loyalists
Moved to Erneston 1793

See also
Burr Berap Book
p. 21-22

for copy of Family
Bible

6 Norris Bristol = Mary Anderson
b. 17.11.1807
d. 1898. moved
from Consecration P. & L. Co
to Madoc in 1847

7 Malcolm Bristol = 1879 Marion Frances
b. 11.11.1846 d. 28.11.1934

Wesley Grace Robert Ralph Clara Bruce Mary Helen Ruth John
see next
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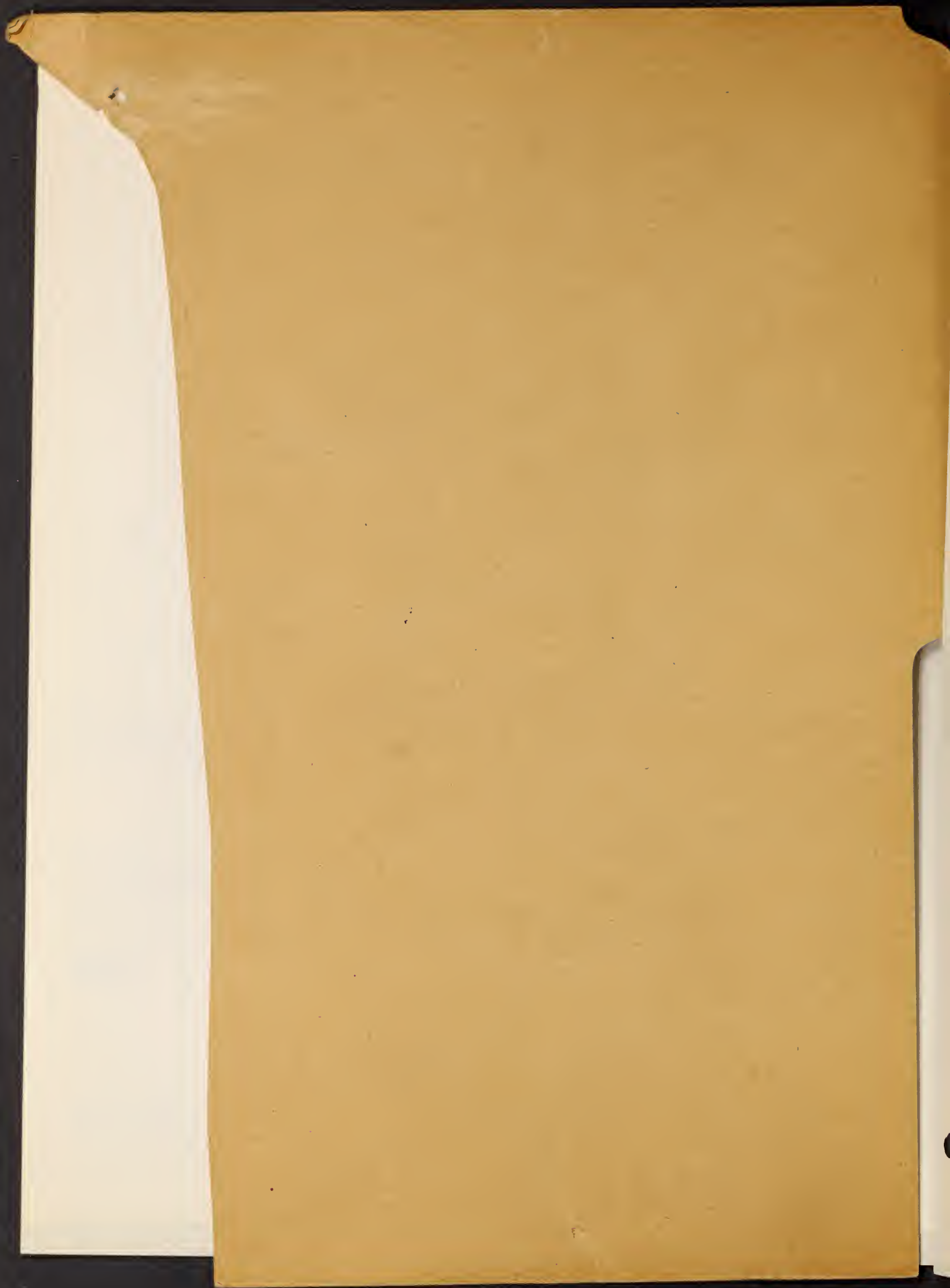
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BRISTOL FAMILY

The surname Bristol, one would think, must have originated from some man coming to be known by the name of his birthplace, or place of residence---the city of Bristol in England.

There was a Saxon settlement at that place before the Norman Conquest of 1066---and the name of the place was then Brig-stow---which in modern spelling, would be Bridge Stow, or Stow Bridge. But the place name became, later, Bri-stow, then Bristole and finally Bristol. The name of the place, no doubt, was spelled Bristow, when the word began to be used as a family surname, and the first emigrant of the family to come to America spelled his name in that way, Bristow. He is said to have come from Devonshire in England. His name was Henry Bristow, and he settled at New Haven, Conn. and died there in 1695. He must have been at that date a man of 57 or 58 years at the least, and likely was older than that, as he was married (to Lydia Brown) on the 29th of January 1656, and they had a family of 14 children.

There is a township and village in Rhode Island, on the east side of Narragausett Bay, to which, in 1681, the name Bristol was given, and the name is said to have been taken from the English City. There is also a township of Bristol in Connecticut, now a borough, about 15 miles from Hartford, but this place was first settled in 1727 and was named, no doubt, from either the City in England, or the village in Rhode Island, and there are now 17 or 18 different States in the United States, each of which has in it a place named Bristol. In Canada there is a Post Office named Bristol in Prince Edward Island; another Post Office of the same name in New Brunswick, and in the County of Pontiac, Que., there is a township named Bristol and three Post Offices named respectively, Bristol, Bristol Mines and Bristol Ridge, all in the township of Bristol.

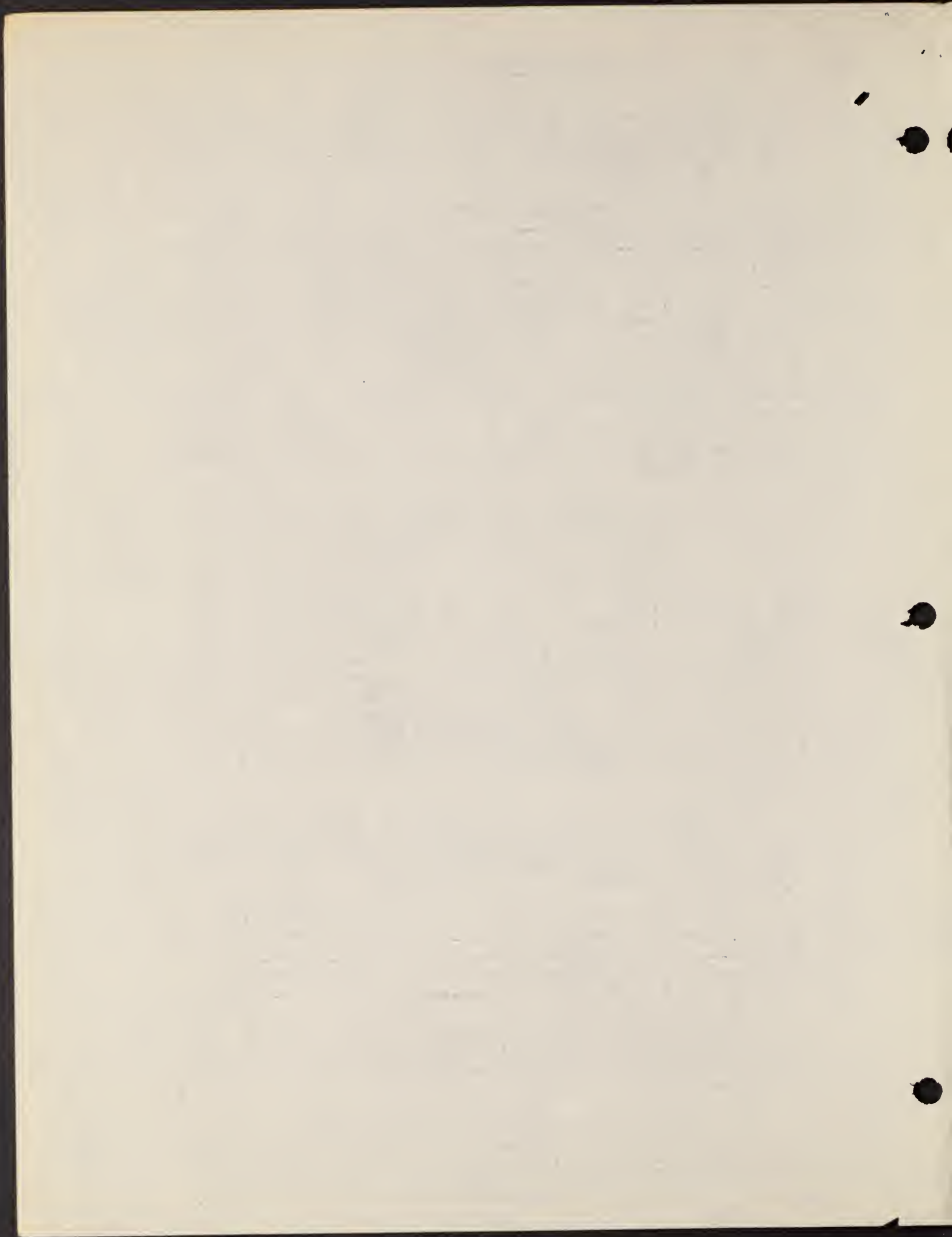
One of the sons of Henry and Lydia Bristol was Daniel, whose surname was spelled Bristol. He was born 4th May, 1671---married Hester Sperry, had eight children and died 15th May 1728, aged 57.

One of the sons of Daniel and Hester Bristol was Samuel, born 8th August, 1706---married in 1727 Ester Sanford---had 9 children, lived at Milford, Conn., on the shore of Long Island Sound---(like New Haven) and some 15 miles west of New Haven---died in 1774---aged 68.

This Samuel Bristol was grandfather of John Bristol who came to Canada, and John was 15 years old when Samuel died. The grandson of John---born when John was 67---was named Amos Samuel.

One of the sons of Samuel and Esther Bristol was Abraham, born, about 1736---or more likely two or three years earlier---anyhow, was over 40 in 1776, at date of Declaration Of Independence---married 18th April, 1757, at ~~Mitford~~ Milford, Conn., Susannah Colbreath, his second wife.

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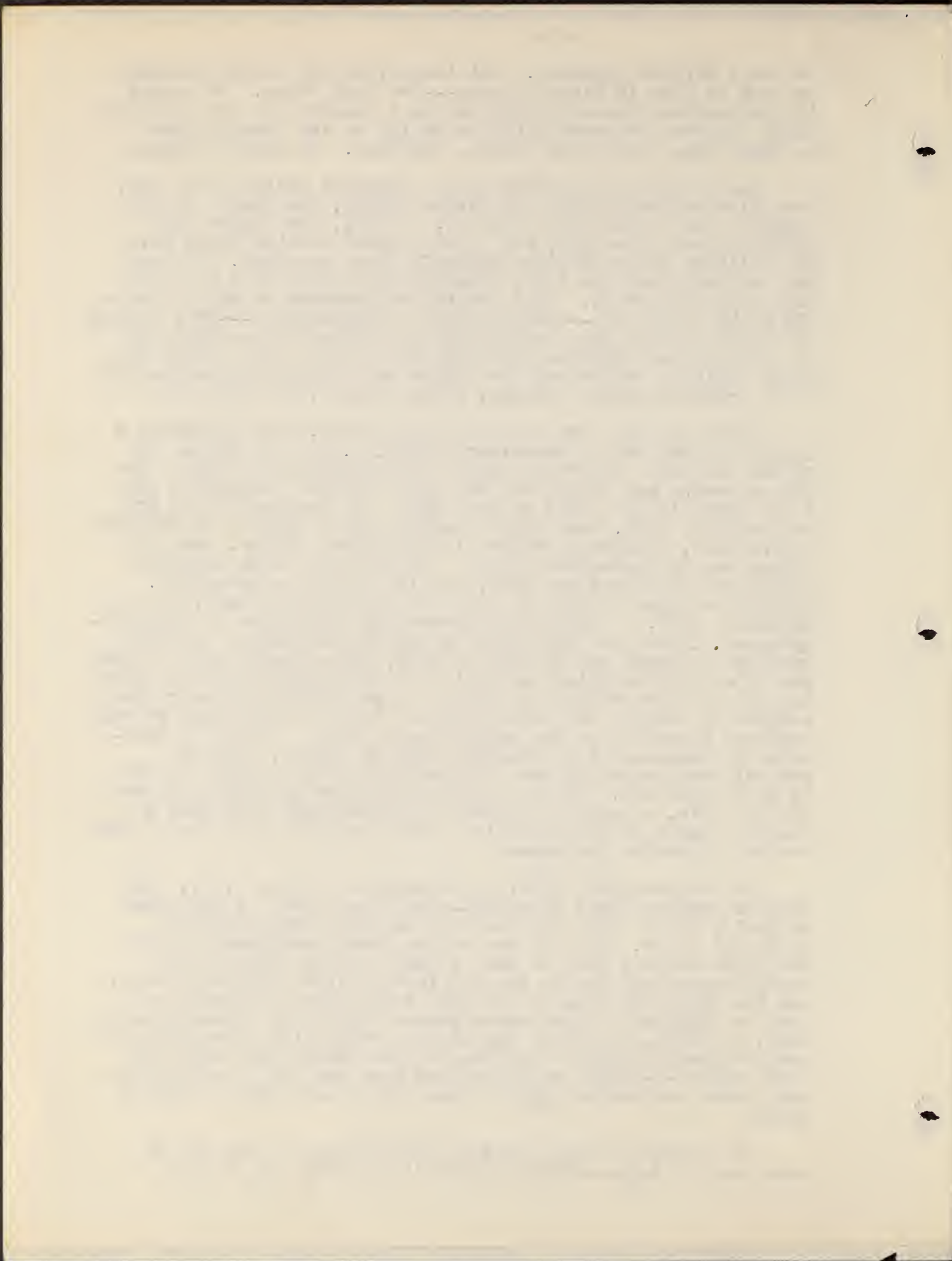
He was a Baptist preacher. Not long after his second marriage he went to live in Ulster County---New York State. He served in the American Revolutionary War as a soldier for the colonies. After the war, he moved with his family up the Hudson River to Sand Lake, Rensselaer County, New York. He had 12 children.

One of the sons of Abraham and Susannah Bristol was John, born 21st October, 1757, in Ulster County, New York. He was probably the second child but was, I think, the oldest son of his mother, Susannah, and I never heard whether there were any children of his father Abraham's first marriage. Abraham was not more than about 22, when his first wife died and may have been not yet 20. John Bristol was between 16 and 17 years old on 4th July 1776---Declaration of Independence---and, through the Revolutionary War, served with his father as a soldier on the side of the Colonies, and when an old man used to tell his grand children how he and his father had "fought for Washington". So my mother's oldest brother, Peter Bristol, has told me.

After the war John went with his father, and the father's family to Sand Lake, Rensselaer County, N. Y., and there, in 1785-6 occurred "the great event" of John Bristol's life. He got converted and joined the Methodist Church. Methodism was a new thing in the world at that time. In America it had its beginning in 1776, when Philip Embury, an emigrant from Ireland to New York, started preaching in the Mohawk Valley, west of Albany and of Rensselaer County. In 1773 the first American Methodist Conference was held, consisting of ten preachers. During the years of the War not much progress was made, but in December, 1784, a special conference was called and a Methodist-Episcopal Church was organized in the United States. Revival meetings followed and in 1785 or 1786, John Bristol then a young man of 26 "got religion" and got it so thoroughly that it lasted him for all the rest of his life. It was always his every day subject of thought and conversation. I do not know that he ever preached formally, as one delivering a sermon. He was a shoe-maker by trade---but he exhorted, led in prayer, and both publicly and privately was continually urging everyone he met to be a Christian. And he practised what he preached. He was, all his life, a deeply religious and thoroughly good man, a leading member of the Methodist Church from the time there first was any Methodist ^{Church} in Canada.

On 8th December, 1787, in Rensselaer County, N. Y., John Bristol married Elsie Aylworth---she always went by the name of Elsie, but I think now that her baptismal name was not Elsie but Alice. In 1930 one of the great grandsons of John and Elsie Bristol sent me what seemed to be a copy of the family record written in the old family Bible of John Bristol, and the Christian name of the wife and mother was there set down as "Alice". I had never before thought of Alice as having been, in truth, her name, for always, until then, everybody I had ever heard speak of her name in the family, had used the word "Elsie"---which, no doubt, had been the pet name by which her father and mother spoke of her, or to her, when she was a child.

At the date of the marriage, John Bristol's age was 28 years and 48 days---Elsie Aylworth's 15 years and 28 days.



The next summer (1788) Elsie's father and mother with 10 of their children, moved to Canada, leaving John Bristol and his wife in Rensselaer County, where they lived till 1793, and where the three oldest of their eleven children were born. John Wesley Bristol---the oldest son---was born 26th February, 1793, and brought to Ernesttown a baby in arms, in the spring or summer of that year---so that Elsie (with her three little ones) was again with her father and mother before she was 21. But, whatever the reason for it may have been, Elsie did not join the Methodist church till 4 or 5 years later---in 1797 or 1798, though there were, I know, some Methodist religious meetings in Ernesttown---in settlers' homes or in the woods---probably before 1793---but certainly a few years before 1797-8. From that date forward John Bristol and his wife, and their children as they grew up, were truly "pillars" of the Methodist church in Ernesttown.

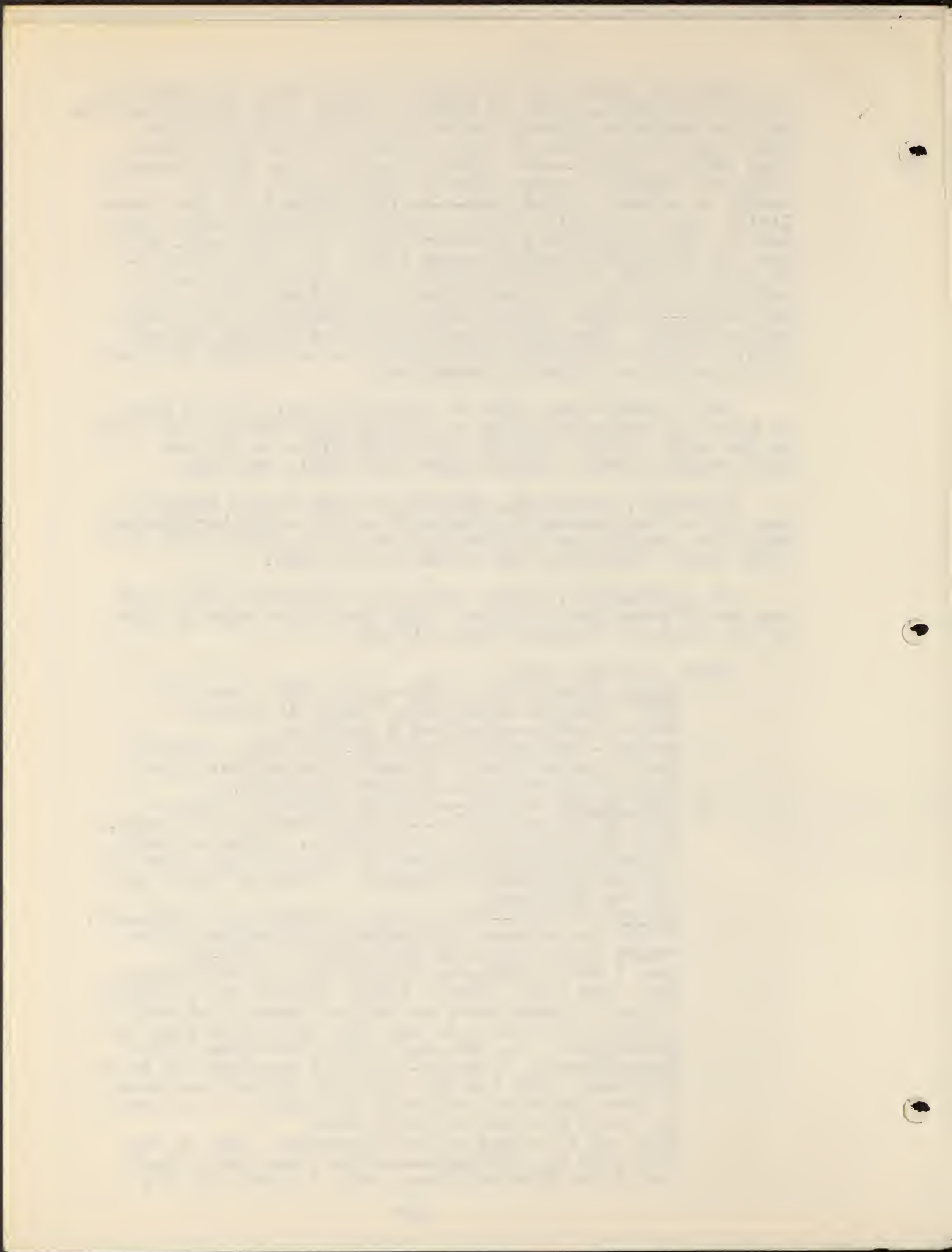
John Bristol died after an illness of only 5 or 6 hours, at about 11 o'clock at night on 20th October 1847---then being in the words of the entry in the family Bible of his son John Wesley Bristol, "ninety years old within one hour".

My mother, Catherine, daughter of John Wesley Bristol, was then a young woman of between 18 and 19---and her feeling about her grandfather John Bristol was all her life that no truer saint upon earth than he was, ever lived.

The grandmother, Elsie, lived till 16th June 1858, when she was 85 years and 7 months. They are buried side by side in the Methodist Burying Ground at Bath.

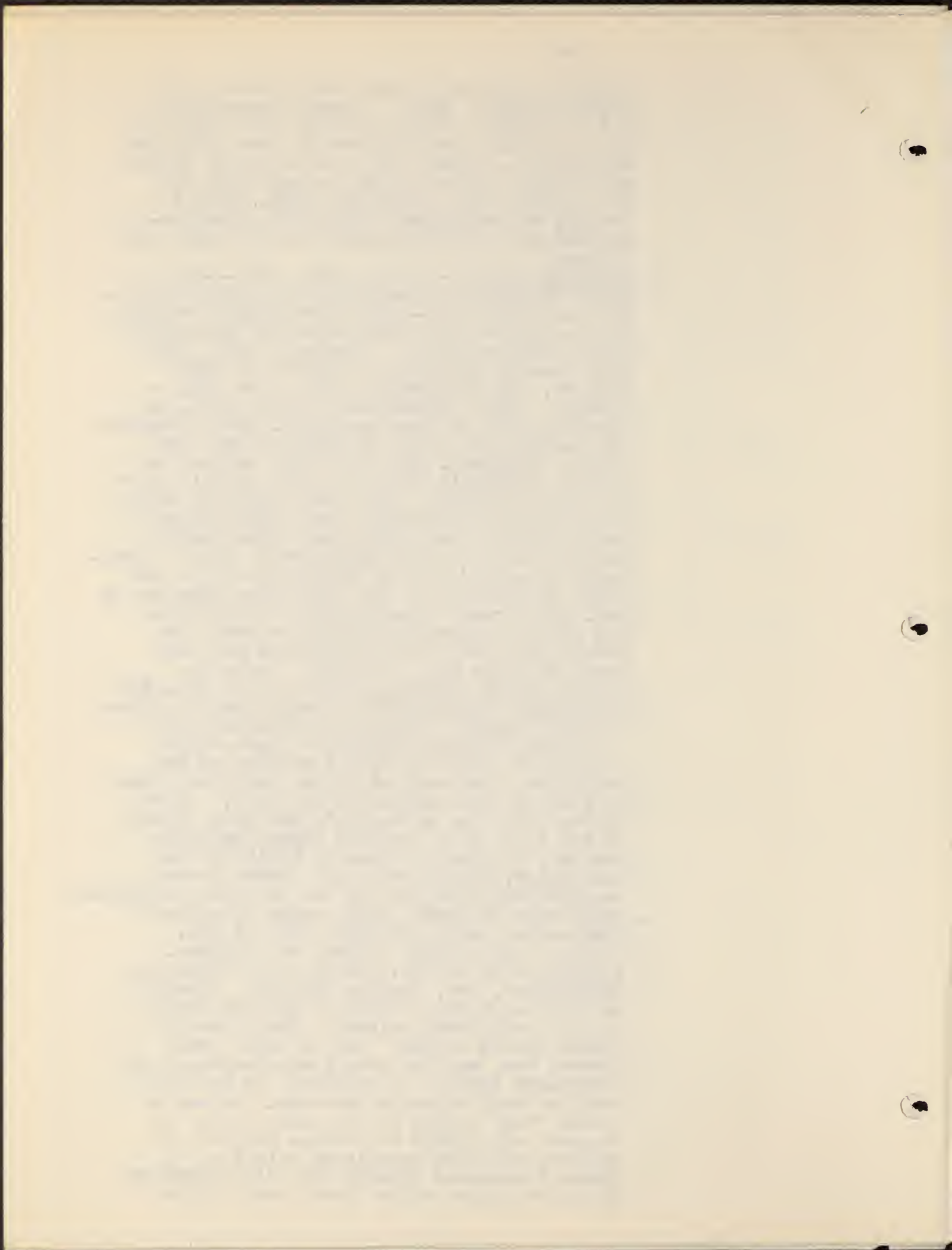
Their children were:-

1. Elsie, born 24 May, 1789---died 1874. Married John Campbell, blacksmith. Lived in Prince Edward County---they had 3 daughters.
2. Esther---born 23rd March 1791-died 1859. Married Lewis Fretz- farmer. Lived in Fredericksburgh---they had three sons and seven daughters.
3. John Wesley Bristol---born 26 February, 1793---died 17 February 1884---aged 91 years, less 9 days.*
** John Wesley Bristol married Catherine Fretz, a sister of Lewis Fretz.*
 John Wesley Bristol, was a farmer, living in South Fredericksburg till he was 80 years of age, when he retired and lived in Napanee. They had three sons and ten daughters.
4. Colman Bristol---the name was "Colman" not "Coleman". It was the surname of a Methodist preacher who was active among the early Methodists in 1794-5. Born 8 Feb., 1795---married 27 Oct., 1822 Catherine Way, born 2 Dec. 1806. Colman Bristol was a farmer, living in Ernesttown, on the Bay shore, just west of Bath---Lot No. 3 in Lot Con. and broken front of ? Ernesttown. His wife Aunt Katie, was from Prince Edward County, a Quaker- and as I remember her in my childhood, just the very kindest, dearest and best of good Christian, motherly old ladies, it was ever any child's privilege to be with. They had five sons and six daughters. Two of the boys died in childhood---before I was Born. Each one of the five daughters, was, I always thought, a



faithful copy of her own good mother. The other daughter, Alice, I cannot remember at all. I think I could not have ever seen her, but the three sons who grew up---and the five daughters---I knew when I was a boy at school and as long as they lived, except that the two younger sons, James and Lewis, went to Oregon, or Washington State, when young unmarried men and never came back to Canada that I heard.

5. Benjamin Bristol---born 3 May, 1797---and named Benjamin at the wish of his grandmother---Mrs. Job Aylworth---after her brother Benjamin, who is spoken of at page 42 of the Aylsworth family reunion book. Married 8 July, 1819, Ruth Spencer, who was a daughter of Corey Spencer, and Ruth Waight, and, like them, a Quaker. Corey Spencer was born in 1760, in the Township of East Greenwich, Rhode Island---the township in which Job Aylworth was born. Philip Aylworth, Job's brother, settled in 1791 in Hallowell Township, near what is known the town of Picton. Two sons Caleb and Henry came with him to Canada, Henry Aylworth was two or three years older than Corey Spencer and they had been boys together in Rhode Island. Henry Aylworth's lot in Hallowell was on the shore of Picton Bay, and when Corey Spencer, in May, 1793, came to Canada with his wife and two young children he settled on land (now within the town of Picton) beside the land Henry Aylworth was living on. There the daughter Ruth Spencer was born, 21st Oct. 1797. This Henry Aylworth was a first cousin to Elsie Aylworth Bristol, Benjamin Bristol's mother. Benjamin Bristol about the time of his marriage in 1819, started a tannery on the Bay Shore, just east of Picton and lived there as a farmer and tanner all his life. Almon Bristol, the son of Benjamin and Ruth, lived in the same house, and now Hazard Benjamin Bristol, the son of Almon is living in the same place, though in a more modern house. Benjamin and Ruth had one son and three daughters.
6. Sarah born 16 April, 1799, named after her grandmother Sarah Aylworth, wife of Job. Married Joseph Rose, farmer, no children.
7. Susannah born 18 Feb., 1801, named after her grandmother, Mrs. Abraham Bristol. Married Daniel Samuel Way, a brother of Aunt Katie, the wife of Colman Bristol. They lived in Prince Edward County. One of their sons, Bidwell Way, was for many years Bursar of the Government Asylum, or hospital, in Hamilton, and died only a year or two ago. He was a double first cousin of Dr. Amos Bristol of Napanee, and likely Mr. George Bristol of Hamilton was well acquainted with him. I always remembered Bidwell Way with affection. He was very kind to me when I was a child.



8. Elizabeth, born 27 Dec., 1802. Married John Booth, a farmer, had one son and two daughters.
9. Javina, born 3 Jan., 1805, died 12 June, 1808.
10. Norris Haskell Bristol, born 17 Nov., 1807. Named Norris after Norris Brisco, husband of Elizabeth Aylworth, a younger sister of Elsie Bristol and Haskell, after Haskell Aylworth, a younger brother of Elsie Bristol, who had died in 1803, aged 21. Norris Bristol married Mary Anderson, lived in Madoc, Ontario, and had six sons and three daughters.
11. Joel Ensign Bristol, born 20 Jan., 1811. Married Rachael Denyes, lived in Township of Thurlow, Hastings County, Ont.

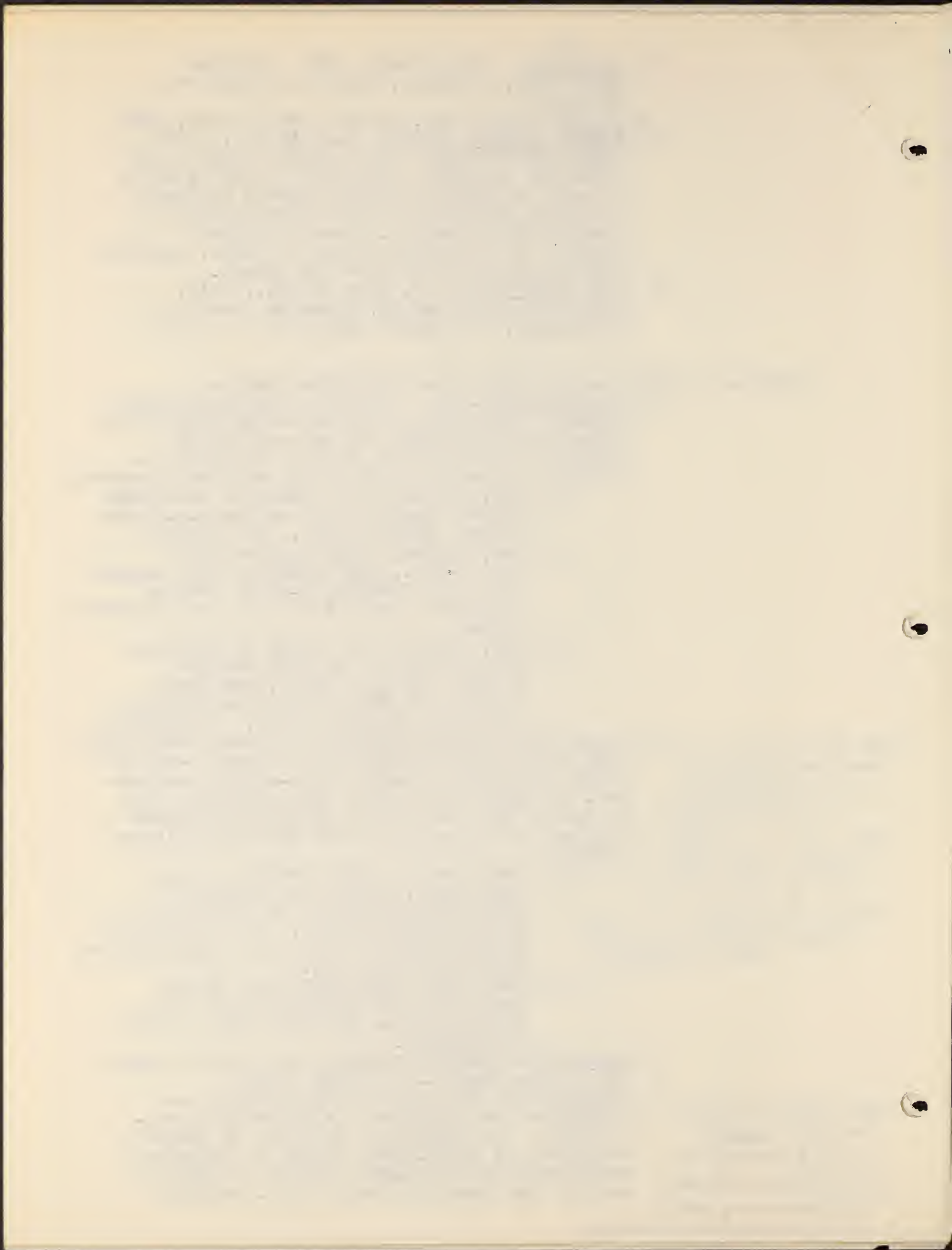
Children of John Wesley Bristol and Catharine Fretz:-

1. Clarissa-1818-1900. Married Peter MacPherson, farmer, Ernesttown, Lot 3 in second concession, immediately adjoining the farm of Colman Bristol. Had five sons and two daughters---two eldest sons and both daughters died unmarried.
 - (1) Son, Charles, now living on Vancouver Island, married Augusta Purdy---sister of Mrs. Edith Brisco. No children.
 - (2) Son, Duncan, Civil Engineer and Lieut.-Col., now living at 92 Glengrove Ave., W., Toronto 12---had one son killed in action 1917---has one daughter living.
 - (3) Son, Colman, now living on Vancouver Island with his brother Charles, married Caroline Purdy, now dead, a sister of Mrs. Augusta MacPherson and of Mrs. Edith Brisco. No children.
2. Peter Bristol-1820-1915-farmer, South Fredericksburg and on retiring lived in Napanee---was 94 years and nearly 5 months old---twice married---had, by first wife 3 sons and 3 daughters and by second wife one son. The three daughters and two of the sons by first wife died without issue.
 - (1) Son, Roswell Caton Bristol, son of first wife, farmer now living in South Fredericksburg on Bay Shore---3 miles west of Bath. He is now about 66 or 67 years old and has two daughters but never had a son.
 - (2) Son, Henry James Bristol, son of second wife is perhaps about 50 years old now, married, but, I think, no children.
3. Mary-1822-1918-Mrs. Membery, was over 96 years old at her death---no living issue.
4. Esther-1825-1877. Mrs. Sanford Burley---3 sons and two daughters, a number of grandchildren- one grandchild daughter of Esther's daughter, is Alice, Mrs. George H. Hodgetts, now living at 48 Rosedale Heights, Toronto 5, and Mr. Max Hendrick, son of Mrs. Hodgetts'

Note: Peter Bristol married 3 May, 1849, Miss Julia, daughter of William Caton. (J.C. Clark's diary) Julia S. Grave, wife of Peter Bristol, d. 24 Dec., 1868 aged 41 yrs. (Mowen Cemetery)

Overton Ames Bristol born July 5, 1864; died Jan 29 1915 (Mowen Cemetery)

Note: Esther's husband was John Sanford, son of Freeman J. and Nancy (Lapson) Burley, and grandson of John and Lydia (Richmond) Burley.



sister Laura, is now a student at the School of Science in Toronto.

5. John Bristol - 1826-1854. M.D. died unmarried.
6. Jane - 1829-1893. Twice married, had one daughter but no living issue.
7. Catherine - 1831-1897. Married John Bell Aylesworth, farmer, two sons and one daughter. One son, John Anson Aylesworth, has two sons, each married, but no grandchildren. The daughter, Mrs. Chant, has 6 sons and four daughters, with 12, or more, grandchildren.
8. Colman Bristol - 1833-1926 - was a day or two over 93 at his death, a Methodist preacher in various places in Western Ontario, Minnesota and Michigan---3 daughters but no son.
9. Ruth - 1836-1858- Mrs. George Asselstine- no issue.
10. Orpah - 1838 -1860 - died unmarried.
11. Emma - 1841 - 1911 - married Egerton R. Shorey, farmer Ernesttown, 2 sons and 4 daughters, oldest son Amos Bristol Shorey is now living at 147 Maplewood, Toronto 10. He has two sons.
12. Eliza - 1841- twin with Emma, lived only 4 months.
13. Alma- 1843 - 1866- died unmarried. (Died Feb. 22, 1866 aged 22 yrs) (Monroe Cemetery)

Note: Byron Aylesworth
d. Mar. 20, 1859, aged 4 yrs.
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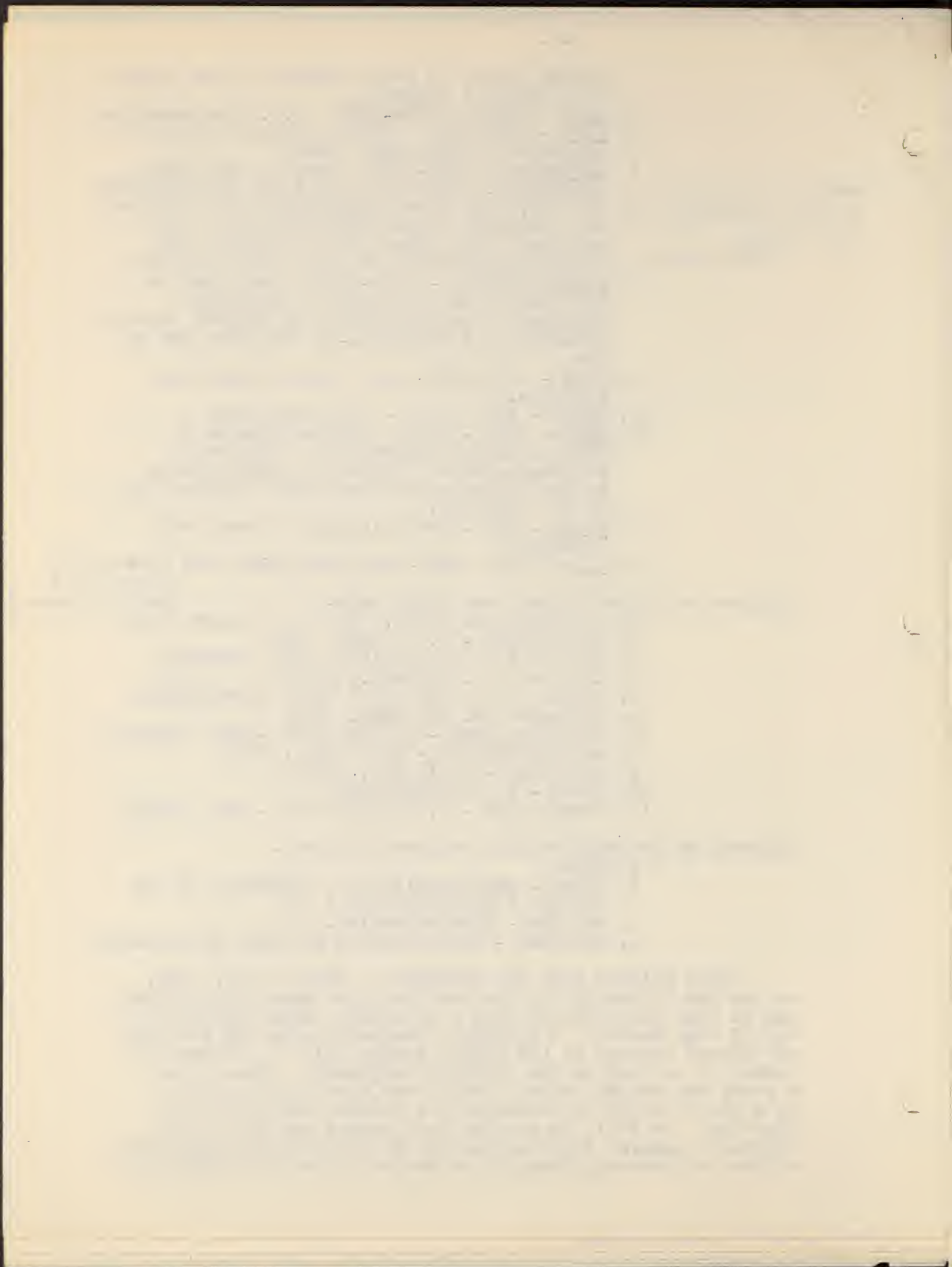
Children of Colman Bristol and Eliza Way:-

1. Caroline - b. 7 Feb., 1824. m. Hazard Purdy.
2. Amos Samuel - b. 17 Sept. 1826.
3. Sarah - b. 4 April, 1828. Mrs. Outwater.
4. Mary Ann - b. 15 Sept., 1829.
5. Colman - b. 7 Aug. 1830. Died in childhood.
6. Benjamin - b. 14, Nov., 1831.
7. Catharine Jane - 5 June, 1833 - Mrs. Latimer.
8. James McTaggart - b. 15 Dec., 1836.
9. Lewis Way - b. 16 Nov., 1838.
10. Alice - b. 11 July, 1842.
11. Phoebe Alma - b. 12 May, 1845 - Mrs. Vercoe.

Children of Benjamin Bristol and Ruth Spencer:-

1. Almon.
2. Eliza - married William T. Yarwood, Picton and had 6 daughters and 1 son.
3. Matilda - died unmarried.
4. Carolina - never married and must be now dead.

Almon Bristol born 6th September - died in May, 1909, at the age of nearly 89. He was the first born Bristol grandson of John and Elsie Bristol - 3½ months older than Peter-son of John Wesley. His father, Benjamin, gave him the name of "Almon" because in the Bible, Joshua XXI. 18, "Almon" is spoken of as "out of the tribe of Benjamin". Almon, when a young man taught school a while and then got a position as a clerk behind the counter in a General Retail Store in Kingston. In 1851, he married Mary Hazard and soon after started a General Store of his own in the then unincorporated village of Newburgh township of Camden, Lennox and Addington.



In 1857, he moved to Picton and began business there as a general merchant; prospering in business his Picton store soon became the largest in the County and is still being carried on with great success.

Almon Bristol had one son, Hazard Benjamin, now 74 years old, and 4 daughters, one of the daughters died unmarried, another never married but is, I think, still living; the other two daughters are living each having three or four children and a number of grandchildren.

Hazard Benjamin married but never had any children. He joined his father in business as soon as old enough and has been always a thoroughly good and successful man. He is now living in Picton in the old homestead, taking his ease in his old age as a retired merchant who is very well to do.
